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What a BOOB!

Greedy plastic surgeon sues — to repossess gal's breast implants!

SKINFLINT Dr. Guy Valdone wants his money

FLAT-CHESTED Megan before the surgery, below.

DISGUSTED: Busty Megan Fowgster holds legal documents demanding her to pay up — or give up her new breasts!

By MIKE FOSTER / *Weekly World News*

LOS ANGELES, Calif. — Megan Fowgster has fallen behind in payments for her boob job — so her skinflint plastic surgeon is suing her to get her breast implants back!

The aspiring actress has received official notice of intent to sue from lawyers representing Dr. Guy Valdone, who's demanding that she remit the $4,000 she owes in full immediately or show up for surgery to remove the saline packs that give her an eye-popping 34D bosom.

"When I received those notices from Dr. Valdone, I was shocked and disgusted," said the striking 25-year-old. "I cannot believe that a medical professional would stoop to these kinds of tactics.

"What he's proposing would only make more work for him and would do him absolutely no good, since he doesn't reuse the breast implants anyway. So obviously, he's doing it for spite, plain and simple."

Miss Fowgster was a meager A-cup when she came from Arkansas a year ago to pursue an acting career.

"I had always been a little insecure about my chest, and a guy I know who's very knowledgeable about the business told me right off that if I didn't do something about it, I didn't have a chance competing in auditions against all these other girls with big breasts," she recalled. "I just had a few hundred dollars to my

So last fall, Miss Fowgster went to Dr. Valdone's office for breast enhancement. The doctor had been recommended to her by a fellow actress who said he was one of the few plastic surgeons around who would set up a payment plan instead of insisting on cash up front.

The total cost for the procedure, which isn't covered by most insurance plans, was $5,250. Miss Fowgster agreed to pay $250 in advance and the remainder in monthly installments of $500.

She paid on time for two months, but soon found herself too broke to pay.

"I honestly intended to keep up with the payments, but I haven't found a lot of acting jobs out there, to tell you the truth," she explained. "I've been waitressing to make ends meet, but that barely covers my rent."

She soon fell three months behind, letting letters from the surgeon's office pile up in her dresser.

Finally, in late March, she received a hand-delivered notice announcing the doctor's intention to take her to court if she didn't pay the full outstanding balance "or return the implants immediately."

"It's so cold-blooded — he is literally trying to get his pound of flesh," says the outraged actress.

Dr. Valdone declined to comment, but his attorney expressed little sympathy for the patient.

"This was an elective procedure and Miss Fowgster was made fully aware of the costs involved. She also chose to ignore my client's repeated requests for payment," said the lawyer.

"If this was a car we were talking about, there'd be no question that my client was entitled to repossess it."

She couldn't make the payments on her new ta-tas — so doc wants 'em back!

Even dead politicians are bigger in Texas

Texas voters have the distinction of being the only ones in the union to have elected a dead man to their State Senate!

In 1982, the Democrats had so much power that they voted John Wilson into office with 66 percent of the vote — even though Wilson had died of cancer during his campaign.

Whew! No UFO conspiracy, gov't. says

WASHINGTON — That stuff you've seen on TV shows like *The X-Files* is a bunch of nonsense, government investigators

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UTAH TEEN NEARLY EATEN ALIVE BY HUNGRY CROCODILE

By GRANT BALFOUR/*Weekly World News*

CANCUN, Mexico — A spring break in paradise became a nightmarish struggle to survive when a Utah teen was viciously attacked by a man-eating crocodile — and later, by money-hungry Mexican doctors!

Spencer VanWeerd, a 19-year-old student at Weber State University, was swimming peacefully in a lush lagoon near his hotel when he bumped against what he thought was a rock.

Then his world exploded in pain.

"It was like getting tackled in the water," says VanWeerd. "I felt it bite me and pure instinct kicked in.

"I wrapped my hands around its mouth and kind of dragged it as I started swimming back to shore."

The vicious reptile broke free and savagely tore at his hands and arms. VanWeerd let go and began a frantic race to the shore.

"When I turned around, it followed behind me and took a chunk out of my back," recalls the traumatized teen.

He struggled to the beach and collapsed on a sidewalk — but his troubles weren't over yet. Despite his extensive injuries, doctors in a nearby hospital refused to treat the badly bleeding tourist until he could prove he could afford treatment!

. . . but greedy docs won't even stop the bleeding until he proves he can pay!

"I thought I was a goner," he said. "I told my friends to tell everybody that I loved them."

Recalls mom Natascha Navarro: "The doctor called me at 2:30 in the morning, said my son needed surgery because he was bleeding from his neck — and wanted my credit card number. They wouldn't accept our insurance because it was a private hospital."

Finally, another hospital agreed to treat VanWeerd's wounds — which required a whopping 126 stitches in his wrists, hands, neck and head. He also needed plastic surgery to close a

LUCKY TO BE ALIVE: Spencer VanWeerd, a Weber State University student, was attacked by a crocodile while vacationing in Cancun, Mexico.

back, and he had developed an infection in his wrists.

After doctors got a letter from his

up, VanWeerd was allowed to return to his Clearfield, Utah, home.

"I can't tell you how lucky I feel to

DO OGRES COME FROM OUTER SPACE?

HAMBURG, Germany — Those "ogres" so popular in German folktales may really have been space aliens, researchers now believe.

UFO researchers point out that the menacing creatures are described as having pointy ears, reptilian skin and bulging black eyes — just as space aliens have been described by eyewitnesses in modern times.

What's more, both types of beings

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Shrink had crazed killers & rapists eating out of her hand, but . . .

PSYCHIATRIST GETS BRAINS BASHED IN — BY HER OWN DAUGHTER, COPS SAY!

By MICHAEL FORSYTH
Weekly World News

SHREWSBURY, Mass. — Psychiatrist Dr. Kathleen Thomsen Hall specialized in criminal psychology and was acclaimed for her ability to spot dangerous nuts and anticipate their behavior. But she apparently missed one walking time bomb — because her own teenage daughter has been arrested for brutally murdering the shrink by bashing in her skull!

"The victim was pushed down the stairs of her home and struck with a hammer," Shrewsbury Police Lieutenant Daniel Sklut told *Weekly World News*.

The 44-year-old psychiatrist, who was affiliated with the University of Massachusetts Medical School, was considered one of the top experts in the state in understanding the criminal mind. But she apparently had no clue that her pretty, 16-year-old daughter Valerie was a potential killer. Authorities thus far know of no motive in the case. Initial news reports suggested that the teen was involved in the use of hallucinogenic mushrooms, but police could not confirm that when asked by the *NEWS*.

Officials do allege that for whatever reason, the troubled teen erupted in fury and launched a savage hammer attack on her psychiatrist mom. Dr. Hall ended up at the bottom of the staircase, her skull cracked open.

"The daughter called it in as a medical emergency," Lt. Sklut said.

Dr. Thomsen died two days later and an investigation led to Valerie's arrest.

"She has been indicted on charges of murder and assault and battery," Elizabeth Stammo, a spokeswoman for the Worster County District Attorney's Office, told the *NEWS*.

The teen has pleaded not guilty.

SATAN'S CITY — Where nearly 2 out of 3 folks worship the Devil!

GJOVIK, Norway — This otherwise nondescript Scandinavian city is the Satanism capital of the world.

Devil-worshippers outnumber Christians more than two to one!

Out of an estimated population of 25,972, a whopping 16,803 described themselves as Satanists in a recent survey.

That compares to 7,421 self-described Christians. The remainder said they were Jewish, Islamic, Atheist or "Other."

Cook gets death penalty for using bacon fat

KABUL, Afghanistan — A short order cook from Italy has been sentenced to death for the "crime" of frying eggs in bacon fat!

Hapless immigrant Gino Torticelli admits he "doesn't know what he was thinking" when he used bacon grease to prepare sunnyside-up eggs for two Moslem patrons at an eatery — causing the customers to violate the strict Islamic ban on the eating of swine.

A religious tribunal took just

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There are 7 ways to improve your sex life, says new research!

You can put the magic back in a dull, stagnant relationship — and it's easier than you think, according to psychiatrist Dr. Anthony Pietropinto. All you have to do is follow his simple seven-point plan:

By JUNE SAWYER
Weekly World News

1 Don't deny there's a problem — Devise a solution! If your loved one is unhappy or bored with the relationship, don't get defensive or ignore his or her complaints — listen.

If one person has a problem, then the relationship needs to be fixed. And once you admit the problem, plan deliberate steps to put the magic back.

2 Divorce your dull routine. When two partners fall into a rut, a love affair can lose its sparkle faster than a fake diamond — but you can help to put the luster back by shaking up your schedule.

If you always take a Sunday afternoon drive and dinner, go out on a Sunday morning instead and choose a new restaurant.

3 Date your partner. Try pretending he or she is a stranger and go out together. You might, for example, pick up your partner at work in a limousine. The possibilities are limited only by your imagination.

4 Do something different. You can create a sense of adventure by trying new things together. It can be as simple as exploring a new store or going on a moonlight cruise.

Even joint volunteer work can give a new perspective — with the added benefit of helping others.

5 Trade all of the household chores. For example, the man could cook the meals and the woman can try her hand at small repairs.

This will give you a new appreciation for each other's roles.

6 Surprise your lover. Send a funny greeting card for no reason or leave brief love notes or small gifts where they can be discovered. These tell your sweetheart that you are thinking of him or her frequently and that you really do care.

7 Do a good deed for your partner — every day. This can be as simple as pouring a glass of orange juice or bringing home a small gift.

You can give your partner a back rub or serve him breakfast in bed. The results just might be magical.

Woman arrested for stealing the cremated remains of 252 people!

MADRID, Spain — Police halted one of the most bizarre crime sprees in history when they searched Anna Garcia's home — and found 252 stolen cremation urns!

Miss Garcia, 27, has been charged with stealing the containers, all containing the ashes of someone's dearly departed, from homes around Madrid during a 16-month period.

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SPACE ALIEN POOP IS MAKING US, SICK, SICK, SICK!

By KEVIN CREED / *Weekly World News*

WASHINGTON — Millions of people around the world have contracted a strange and potentially fatal virus — from space alien feces!

And at least one expert predicts that by the year 2002, one in every two Americans will have had the debilitating illness.

Controversial internist Dr. Marcus Balinter says that tens of thousands of the Americans who reported flu symptoms last season were not infected with the flu at all. He said they were suffering from an illness that is contracted by eating beef, lamb, chicken and other meat contaminated with the bodily wastes of extraterrestrial visitors.

Dr. Marcus Balinter.

Thousands are dying of virus left here by extraterrestrials who can't hold it any longer!

Hundreds of Americans in the Deep South and the Midwest may have died from the virus, he said, and countless others may die in countries around the world.

"Hundreds of extremely reliable witnesses report encounters with space aliens in the United States each year, so there is little doubt that extraterrestrials are here among us," Dr. Balinter says. "Even the most conservative of the experts say there are probably half a million aliens in the Earth's atmosphere right now."

Dr. Balinter says he concluded that space alien feces causes many earthly illnesses after consulting with an international group of UFO experts. They say that alien dung is solid at first, but as it decomposes it takes on the color and consistency of grain.

Farm animals can't tell the difference.

"Most UFO and space alien sightings occur in rural areas," Dr. Balinter says. "They stay out of the cities to lessen the chance up being consumed by livestock. These animals digest the disease-ridden material and we, in turn, eat their flesh.

"The waste products contain a virus that produces flu-like symptoms. It overpowers the human immune system."

Dr. Balinter's theory has had little support among his colleagues in the medical field.

But he is unfazed.

"As more people come down with this mysterious 'flu,' scientists will have to look more deeply into the cause," he says. "When they do, they will see that I'm right."

SPACE alien poop starts out as a solid waste product.

Gal arrested for drunk driving — on a lawn mower!

BORAS, Sweden — Cops charged hell-raising Helga Andersson, 34, with drunk driving after a wild midnight joyride — on a lawn mower.

Lawmen said tipsy Helga left a party with three friends, put them in a cart attached to her riding mower and put the pedal to the metal.

"She mowed down all the plants in four backyards and uprooted eight small trees before we finally caught up with

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TIRES & TURF!

Anton Hapfer's car is clearly a cut above the rest — and it leaves many gardeners green with envy because it's covered with lush grass!

During the summer, easygoing Anton trims his Volkswagen Beetle every other day, just taking a little off the top.

He doesn't let any grass grow under his feet — or on his car's windshield or windows.

And his persistence paid off recently when the green car won a prize at an auto show in Regensburg, Germany.

Angry man kills neighbor — and then eats him!

TIRA, Papua New Guinea — Angry cowherder Moropia Silkapi killed a neighbor with a rock during an argument over a stolen shortwave radio, then carved out the victim's eyes, heart and testicles — and ate them raw!

Silkapi, 35, was later chased into the jungle and speared to death by relatives of his victim, 55-year-old Yakamup Makatu.

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Scientists find long-sought Missing Link — alive & well!

THE NEW GUINEA MAN: The hairy man-beast, which stands about 5-foot-8, is covered from head to toe in thickly matted hair like a gorilla, but the hands and feet, the shape of the skull and the facial features are more human than ape-like, experts say.

'He's gentle and friendly — and he's trying to talk to us!'

The bizarre creature proves that man & ape evolved from the same ancestors!

ANTHROPOLOGIST
Dr. Davis Guilford.

PORT MORESBY, Papua New Guinea — In what excited anthropologists are hailing as "the greatest scientific discovery in 100 years," researchers have found a half-man, half-ape creature that could be the long-sought Missing Link!

By MIKE FOSTER
Weekly World News

The hairy man-beast, which stands about 5-foot-8, is covered from head to toe in thickly matted hair like a gorilla, but aspects of the hands and feet, the shape of the skull and the facial features are more human than ape-like, experts say.

Tentatively named the New Guinea Man, the ape-man exhibits nearly human intelligence, employing simple tools and using an as-yet-not-understood form of sign language in an attempt to communicate.

"At the risk of being premature, I must say that we have very likely found the so-called Missing Link — the common ancestor of apes and men," famed British archaeologist Dr. Davis Guilford said at a press conference.

Dr. Guilford and his team made the astonishing discovery in the remote wilds of New Guinea after following up native legends about a "wild man" who lived deep in the jungle.

"As most people know, there are primitive savages in New Guinea who haven't advanced beyond the Stone Age themselves," said the scientist. "For years, they have told explorers about a tribe of hairy wild men who used to battle their ancestors. They claimed that one of these wild men was still alive and occasionally picked fruit from a ravine near their village.

"Civilized people had mostly discounted these stories as superstitious nonsense, but I was fascinated to learn of them and wondered if there might be a grain of truth to the folktales."

Last year, Dr. Guilford and six other researchers began hunting for the elusive wild man.

They found the chase frustrating. They would stumble creature's existence, such as ambiguous, ape-like tracks or sticks that had been sharpened to points, suggesting they had been used as tools. But the Missing Link remained out of sight.

Finally, on April 7, the scientists were staking out a stream where the mysterious tracks had been spotted when the ape-man made an appearance.

"We were crouching behind some bushes about 30 feet from the stream when he came," said Dr. Guilford. "It was striking, because he was as hairy as a mountain gorilla but stood perfectly erect like a man.

"He went down on his belly and lapped up the water, then used a stick to poke for fish.

"We all just sat there, watching in awe."

The scientists observed the creature for two weeks before venturing to make contact with him. When they did, they found him to be initially timid, but gentle and friendly.

"He makes signs in the air with his hands as if he is trying to communicate," said Dr. Guilford.

The New Guinea Man lives alone in a thatch hut and appears to be either an outcast or, more likely, the last of his kind, the experts say. Indeed, he acted lonely and seemed to enjoy company.

"He especially bonded with the two female members of our group," Dr. Guilford said.

Experts say the important discovery could help fill in a blank spot in the chain of evolution.

"Darwin's theory indicates that humans and apes descended from a common ancestor, yet despite all the fossils of early man dug up over the past 100 years, that so-called Missing Link has never been found," explained a Boston scientist. "Dr. Guilford's find could well be what we've been looking for."

The researchers, who say they will allow the ape-man to remain in his natural habitat for now, plan to begin conducting DNA tests on the New Guinea Man within a few weeks in order to accurately establish his place on the evolutionary ladder.

ANCIENT VIKING WRITINGS FOUND ON MARS!

The Face on Mars, which resembles a helmeted human head, was first photographed by NASA in 1976.

PHOTO: NASA

Words etched into the Face on Mars prove humans visited red planet centuries ago!

By GEORGE SANFORD / *Weekly World News*

CAPE CANAVERAL, Fla.— Two years after NASA received its last message from the *Mars Pathfinder* space probe, an amazing photo transmission has been beamed back from the craft — showing what appears to be ancient Viking writings etched into stone on the Red Planet!

Baffled experts can't explain why the unmanned probe — written off as lost by NASA technicians — has suddenly flared back to life. And they admit they are mystified by the as-yet-untranslated writing, found on the side of the colossal rock formation known as the Face on Mars.

"It suggests that in remote times humans visited Mars," said British astronomer Dr. Harold Tilson-Whyte, who revealed the startling discovery in a press conference.

The Face on Mars, which resembles a helmeted human head, was first photographed by a probe in 1976, and since then experts have been debating whether it was made by intelligent beings.

"These new findings seem to confirm that the Face on Mars is manmade," Dr. Tilson-Whyte said.

The amazing space saga began on July 4, 1997, when the *Mars Pathfinder* was launched from Cape Canaveral aboard a Delta II rocket. Just two days after it landed, NASA's roving robot vehicle *Sojourner* rolled down a ramp off *Pathfinder* and headed off to startling pictures of the Martian terrain, relaying the data through *Pathfinder* back to scientists.

The excitement mounted as *Sojourner* headed toward the Face on Mars, programmed to take close-up pictures of the monument and determine once and for all if it was natural or artificial.

But just as *Sojourner* approached the face, the transmissions mysteriously stopped.

September 27, 1997, was the last day *Pathfinder* sent back any data. That November, disappointed NASA scientists reluctantly threw in the towel and acknowledged that the mission was kaput.

began to pick up faint transmissions from space — and stunned astronomers realized they were from *Pathfinder*.

When they saw that the images included shots of a side wall of the Face on Mars and close-ups of the mysterious writings, they were flabbergasted.

Danish linguist Poul Skagerrak, an internationally recognized expert in Scandinavian languages who has been called in to help translate the odd writings, confirmed that they are definitely related to those used by the Vikings, but much older — dating back "perhaps several thousand years."

NASA sources refuse to discuss the

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Scientists create bizarre aphro-BEE-siac

Genetically engineered 'LOVE BEES'

Insects' stings turn human beings into high-powered sex machines!

By TANYA BRODER / *Weekly World News*

VERACRUZ, Mexico — Scientists working to control killer bees have accidentally unleashed a new menace: Love bees whose sting turns humans into out-of-control sex machines!

Incredibly, the researchers were trying to create a mutant bee without the terrifying viciousness of the killer bee, but instead developed a bizarre strain with a small red spot on its abdomen and a love-potion venom.

Dr. Hector Marquez.

One sting dumps volatile hormones into the bloodstream of the victim, stimulating seductive behavior and creating frenzied lust.

"Unfortunately, a group of researchers in Veracruz accidentally lost several queen bees of the new species, and since then, the love bees have been reproducing in the wild," says Dr. Hector Marquez of the Mexican National Health Service.

"We've found hundreds of hives scattered throughout this country and we believe members of the new species are moving into the United States.

"I've seen grandmothers go wild after being stung with their love venom. We've had a number of rapes blamed on the bee stings. We get arrests for indecent exposure.

"It's terrible."

Altogether, authorities say there are 913 reported cases of love-bee stings on record and probably hundreds of other cases that have gone unreported. No one has died from the attacks, but the bees are known to be easily excitable and will sting at the slightest provocation.

There is no known treatment for the stings, the effects of which usually wear off after four or five hours of frantic sexual desire. The bees, mutations of the killer bee engineered in the laboratory, behave much like their dangerous ancestors in many ways.

They swarm frequently, travel great distances in a short time period and establish new colonies twice a year.

"They are moving north rapidly and will soon be hitting high-population areas in Texas and California," Dr. Marquez says.

"I want people to be warned that they are on their way.

"The effects of these bees' stings are terrible to see and very upsetting to the victims — especially after they return to normal and realize how they have behaved."

Dr. Marquez says work is underway on a special insecticide that will kill the love bee without harming normal honey bees, but scientists have not yet succeeded in producing a safe, effective spray.

MUTANT insect's sting causes men and women to experience a sexual frenzy.

Woman runs out of toilet paper — and kills herself!

OSLO, Norway — A distraught woman hanged herself — because she ran out of bathroom tissue!

Homicide cop Lars Brigg calls Inge Knudson's suicide note the oddest he's ever seen.

It said: "I'm out of toilet paper. What's the use?"

Dr. Liv Borgen, a psychiatrist who treated Miss Knudson, said the 24-year-old divorced woman had been depressed for months.

"This last inconvenience just drove her over the edge," said Dr. Borgen.

UFO SHOCKER!

NAIROBI, Kenya — A shimmering blue triangle discovered at a UFO landing site east of the city appears to be the logo of an alien company.

It might very well identify

Drug dealers hand out coupons with their addresses on them!

SYDNEY, Australia — Police have busted members of a drug ring that passed out discount coupons — with the pushers' home address printed right on them!

"They gave out coupons just like the food stores do," said one policeman. "But it was pretty stupid to have their addresses stamped on them.

"All we had to do was walk up, ring the bell and slap the cuffs on them."

Virgin Mary 'miracle water' found in toilet!

LIMA, Peru — A woman who claims to have seen a vision of

CHRISTIE . . .

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Q I think talk-show host Robin Givens is the most beautiful woman in Hollywood.

Her marriage to boxer Mike Tyson was a disaster, but she seemed a perfect match for Eddie Murphy when they starred together in the movie *Boomerang*.

Why doesn't she pursue him as a love mate in real life?

— James B., Elizabeth, N.J.

SLICK Eddie Murphy was the guy who relieved Robin Givens of her virginity. BUT he wasn't able to give her the "Big O."

A Been there, done that! Robin actually lost her virginity to the fast-talking funnyman. But disappointed Robin found the experience less than thrilling — she says she never achieved the "Big O" with the comic.

And even if she were interested in reviving their romance, it's too late. Eddie is married to someone else now.

★ ★ ★

Q Jennifer Love Hewitt really looked quite a bit like Audrey Hepburn in that recent ABC biopic on the late star. I recall Audrey being extremely svelte, while Jennifer is well-known for her big bosom.

Did they use computer effects to make Jennifer look smaller for the role?

— Greg T., Fort Walton Beach, Fla.

HOW do you make Jennifer Love Hewitt's body look like Audrey Hepburn's? Answer: Squash 'em down!

A Nope, just clever costuming. Costume designer **Renee April** told *Entertainment Weekly* that while Jennifer was "a bit more busty" than the real Audrey, "you can change that with a bra that squashes." A good, old-fashioned sports bra was used to flatten out the chesty starlet. Luckily, Jennifer's bazooms are the genuine article, not the super-firm silicone numbers favored by many actresses in Tinseltown. Renee added, "If she'd had fake ones, it would not have worked."

★ ★ ★

Q How did beautiful blonde actress Charlize Theron, star of the movie *Reindeer Games*, pick up her unusual nickname, Sparky?

— Jan T., Asheville, N.C.

SPARKS, but no fire! Charlize "Sparky" Theron.

A She got it by being a yappy, annoying pain in the butt! While filming the action-adventure film, her co-star **Ben Affleck** and the rest of the cast and crew started calling Charlize by the unusual moniker.

"For the longest time, I didn't know why I thought maybe it was because I have such a little sparkle," she said in an online interview.

Finally, Charlize asked Ben where the Sparky nickname came from.

She recalls, "He said, 'Because you're annoying. You talk too much. You're like one of those World War II radio reporters that everybody called Sparky!' "

★ ★ ★

Q I've always liked actor Bill Paxton, who starred in *A Simple Plan*, *Titanic* and plenty of other movies. But is there some bizarre rumor going around that he is suspected of involvement in the assassination of President John F. Kennedy?

— Vickie W., Greenville, Ga.

A Since Bill was just 8 years old that tragic day in November 1963, I think we can count him out as a possible second gunman. But there is a weird Paxton-JFK connection. The Fort Worth, Texas-born star's dad thought it would be a great father-son activity to take young Bill to Dallas to see the President's motorcade. The fun outing turned tragic when they got there just in time to see the beloved leader get his head blown off.

★ ★ ★

Q I loved the sci-fi blockbuster *Mission to Mars* and thought Tim Robbins was very convincing as a fearless rocket ship commander. I know that he's very involved in politics and he seems like a natural-born leader. Would he ever consider running for President?

— Victor D., Little Neck, N.Y.

A Not in a million light-years! The outspoken Robbins supports a variety of liberal causes, but the star — who also played the U.S. President in the Austin Powers spy spoofs — realizes that the idea of putting some spacey actor in such an important position is crazy.

"Me as President? Maybe in another Austin Powers movie," he said in an interview. "But in real life, it would be a disaster!"

★ ★ ★

Q Someone told me that movie tough-guy Michael Madsen, best known as the alien-chasing hitman in the sci-fi thriller *Species*, is related to gorgeous blonde actress Virginia Madsen — but that the two hate each other so much they won't even see each other's films. Is that true?

— Cindy O., Bloomfield, Ill.

A The two Madsens are brother and sister — but they aren't feuding. It's just that Michael refuses to see any movie in which his sexy sis appears nude, because it gives him the heebie jeebies!

That means macho Mike has missed out on flicks

★ QUIZ ★ MOVIE BRAIN TEASER ★ QUIZ ★

Can you identify the movie this scene is from? The first correct entry we receive wins TWO Weekly World News T-Shirts!

HINT: These seven actors were far from magnificent when they were on the set of this classic Western. Look for the answer here next week. Last week's quiz answer: *The Long Riders*. Mail entries to: Brain Teaser, Weekly World News, 5401 NW Broken Sound Blvd., Boca Raton, Fla. 33487

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By KEVIN CREED / Weekly World News

COPENHAGEN, Denmark — Six people were killed when a meteorite fell from the sky and crashed down onto the table where they sat — during the annual picnic of the Danish Atheist Society!

Speeding meteorite kills six — at atheists' picnic!

The mind-boggling tragedy is being hailed by Christian groups as "an act of God's vengeance" — a warning to all who flaunt their defiance of Him.

The Danish Atheist Society — a 562-member group that espouses nonbelief in a higher power of any sort — holds its picnic every year on the last Sunday in April.

The six fatalities included society president Bjorn Daschiel and his wife Anne.

"It happened so fast," said Lizbeth Ahm, who was seated with her husband at another table. "There was nothing anyone could have done.

"One moment everyone was laughing, enjoying the day. The next moment, this red-hot ball of rock came hurtling down from the sky and smashed into Bjorn's table.

"The impact knocked us off our benches onto the ground — and we were at least 30 yards away.

"Bjorn and the others were buried under it. It was just horrible."

The incident has left many members of the society baffled and questioning their position on theology.

"I'm still not quite ready to embrace the idea of God at this point," said Jens Bebe, society treasurer.

"But I must say it has me truly wondering. Why would that terrible thing strike at that particular place at that particular time?"

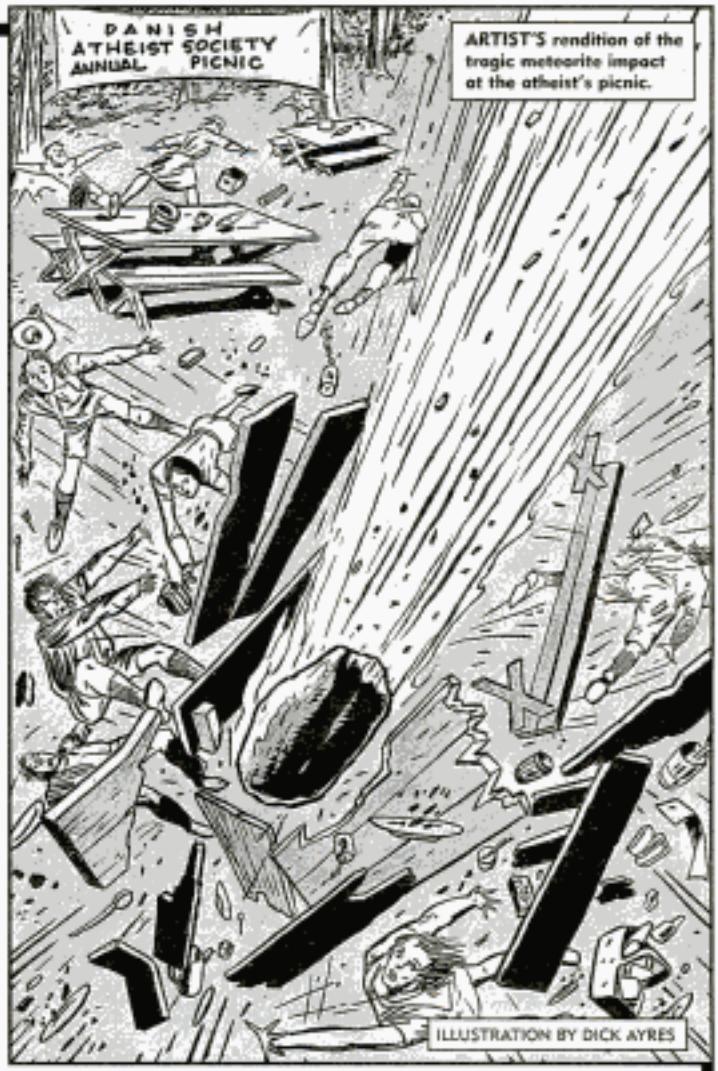
TRAGEDY OBSERVER Lizbeth Ahm.

Noted Danish astronomer Dr. Leif Knudsen says he's not sure what size the deadly meteorite was — but regardless, it was much larger before it fell to Earth.

"Meteorites are originally meteors, large heavenly bodies speeding through space," Dr. Knudsen said.

"When they enter our atmosphere, they begin to disintegrate. This one had reached the exact size to do what it did: To kill all six people at the table and no one else.

"I don't know what the odds are of something like that happening, but they must be astronomical."



ARTIST'S rendition of the tragic meteorite impact at the atheist's picnic.

ILLUSTRATION BY DICK AYRES

'It happened so fast, there was nothing anyone could do!'

You know you're getting old when:

- **You're glad the mirror is fogged up when you get out of the shower!**
- **The gleam in your eye**

Miss America winners are skinnier than scarecrows!

BALTIMORE, Md. — Winners of the Miss America pageant are getting skinnier and skinnier!

If the trend continues, contestants will have to look like concentration-camp inmates to have a chance at the coveted title.

By ANN VICTORIA
Weekly World News

Some experts believe the judges are sending the wrong message to American girls by picking these scrawny, undernourished women. And health

Johns Hopkins School of Public Health has computed the Body Mass Index (BMI) of every Miss America winner since 1922

the roaring '20s, winners were all in the normal weight range.

But since then, they've been getting consistently bonier.

Dr. Caballero was recently quoted as saying he believes the influence of pageant competitions has a strong effect on diet

and lifestyle decisions of America's young women.

Another concerned health expert says that if judges don't change their criteria, "anorexia will be as much a winning quality as a sweet smile or a charming personality."

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(Special report) **"The recent discovery of a new natural protein enzyme may turn into a major breakthrough in health and aging"**, declared a research chemist at the National Institute of Aging, a branch of the U.S. Government's National Institute of Health. **"It's a most exciting finding and it certainly looks strongly as if this enzyme is going to play an important role in retarding aging and promoting a long life"** he said.

The new enzyme has a double action. One, it can help people "look up" to 30 years younger by smoothing out wrinkles and firming up skin. Two, it boosts the energy supply and slows down the aging process, so you can not just live a longer but also a healthier life. And to top it off, it's perfectly safe and has no side-effects, top doctors and scientists say.

According to a New York leading neurologist and nutrition specialist, **"It can make people in their 40's look like they're in their 20's, while people in their 60's may look like they're 35 or 40."**

An Atlanta physician and former director of physical health services for the Georgia Regional Hospital, reports that he has tested the enzyme on dozens of patients and **"it worked miracles!"**

A doctor of Osteopathy, founder of the International Academy of Preventive Medicine, said: **"I have used it on over 1,000 patients. Within weeks people begin to feel healthier and stronger. Within one to three months the wrinkles and lines in their faces begin to disappear and they actually start looking younger. Their skin has a better color and their bodies become supplier and more youthful. It is very definitely an anti-aging substance that slows down degenerative diseases."**

Scientists believe the enzyme is an ideal weapon against senility and recommend that everyone start taking the enzyme at an earlier age to prevent the future ravages of aging, and to benefit from the enzyme's successful arthritis properties.

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IS YOUR MARRIAGE AS GOOD AS GOLD — OR AS GOOD AS GONE?

By R. NEALE LIND / *Weekly World News*

LONDON — Is your marriage solid as a rock — or is it ON the rocks?

Sometimes a husband and wife are the last two people to know their marriage is getting shaky. Too many people wake up one day and find themselves in divorce court — wondering how they got there.

But noted family-relations expert Prof. John Gottman of the University of Washington and the Gottman Institute says there are signs of trouble that couples can recognize and correct long before they reach the point of no return.

Take this short test to find out if your relationship is headed off the cliff.

THEIR marriage has withstood the test of time: Paul Newman and Joanne Woodward.

Take this 2-minute quiz and find out for sure!

1. When you argue, do you:
   A. Make sweeping criticisms of your mate like, "You're lazy" or "You're stupid."
   B. Stick to the subject and frame your complaints in specific terms, like "You said you'd take the trash out and you didn't," or "What you said was thoughtless and insensitive."
2. If a serious problem comes up, do you:
   A. Choose to ignore it and pretend it doesn't exist.
   B. Discuss it openly and accept the blame if it's your fault.
3. If an argument gets heated, do you:
   A. Make sarcastic remarks or roll your eyes.
   B. Show that you're listening and take your mate's grievances seriously.
4. If you have a disagreement, do you:
   A. Let it sink to the level of a war of words, with one of you being aggressive and the other one being defensive.
   B. Try to introduce humor, defusing tension and bad feelings.
5. If your partner shows a new and unexpected interest in something you like, such as football or astrology, do you:
   A. Become suspicious that your mate is trying to manipulate you.
   B. See it as a loving gesture and accept that he or she is trying to get closer to you.

If you answered "A" to two or more questions, your relationship could be headed for disaster. Prof. Gottman suggests that you:

- **Consider your partner's feelings — even when you're angry. Try to see any disagreement from the other side.**
- **When you argue, try to avoid sentences that start with "You always . . ." or "You never . . ."**
- **Listen — REALLY listen — to your partner. Don't just wait for him or her to stop talking so you can get your two cents in.**

Low-life bandits robbing kiddies at gunpoint!

HAMBURG, Germany — A sick and cowardly kind of criminal is spreading terror here: Muggers who specialize in stealing from little kids!

Adult bandits are laying for 6- and 7-year-old children as they make their way to school. The creeps, usually acting alone, hold terrified boys and girls at gunpoint and demand their lunch money.

"It's the lowest of crimes," says Police Detective Johanne Steigert. "Like the elderly, children are easy targets. But unlike older people, these boys and girls usually have money for lunch and snacks.

"These lowlifes don't make much per mugging, but they are

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WOMAN FINDS $50,000 DIAMOND . . . INSIDE AN EGG!

By RANDY JEFFRIES / *Weekly World News*

BELLINZONA, Switzerland — An impoverished mother of four is being congratulated for her incredible good fortune after she found a $50,000 diamond — inside an egg she cracked open for breakfast!

LUCKY MOM
Edith Bauer.

"It's a miracle," Edith Bauer, 38, said in news accounts after her spectacular find made headlines. "When I spotted the diamond, I couldn't believe my eyes. It was like a great shining star stuck inside a perfectly-formed yolk. I actually burned my fingers getting it off the griddle.

"No one can explain how it got there, but I think it's a gift from God. Now I've got the money to pay off the mortgage on our farm and buy my children all the things they need."

The woman's good fortune couldn't have come at a better time. Her dirt-poor husband had a stroke and died last August, leaving Mrs. Bauer and her children practically penniless.

Jeweler Louis Mottaz evaluated the gem and appraised it at $50,000. He said he was stunned when the woman brought it in to his shop and told him where it had come from.

"She wanted to know if it was worth anything," Mottaz says. "I looked at her and said, 'This is a diamond and it's almost flawless. It's worth a fortune.' I had a buyer for it within the hour."

A veterinarian from the University of Zurich says he's puzzled by the bizarre egg bonanza. Dr. Manfred Deitz speculated that the diamond fell out of a ring and was gobbled up by a chicken, but cannot explain how it turned up inside an otherwise normal egg.

"I've never heard of anything like this happening," he said. "It's a one-of-a-kind phenomenon and a real stroke of luck for Mrs. Bauer."

EXPERTS are unable to explain how the diamond turned up inside the egg.

Now struggling mom's future is sunny-side up!

JUST FOR LAUGHS

Two boll weevils grew up in South Carolina. One went to Hollywood and became a great actor. The other stayed behind in the cotton field and didn't amount to much. The second one, naturally, was the lesser of two weevils.

Little guys have to be very careful around big horses — especially when they're wearing tasty straw hats! A photographer caught pint-size rodeo entrant Scott Mullins just at the moment his

Siberian winters turn your breath into ice cubes!

Think you've seen some cold days? How would you like to live in Siberia, where it gets cold enough to freeze your breath — literally?

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READERS REPORT

Some readers tested the new diet pill for a few weeks for us. Here are some comments:

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Karin Koschorick (49), home maker:
"7 weeks ago I weighed 268 lbs, now I am down to just 148 lbs! During this time I didn't change my eating habits at all: the pounds must have disappeared only due to the new slimming capsule. My appearance is so different that my friends actually believe I had liposuction. The best thing about Redu-Quick is that my waist size is 8 inches smaller, now only 26 inches. And it has taken off quite some inches from my butt (5 inches) and thighs (4 inches), my hips now measure only 35 inches. I still wear the same bra size though. The fat has disappeared from exactly the right places!"

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MY AMERICA By ED ANGER

LET'S HAVE A TRILLION-MAN TOUGH GUY MARCH ON WASHINGTON

I'm madder than Kathie Lee Gifford at a National Rifle Association turkey shoot at all those whiney women who marched up to Washington crying about guns in America!

Who the hell gave them the right to protest every American's god-given right to carry a gun, for crying out loud?

It was those rifle-toting Revolutionary War soldiers who won them that right, that's who. If they hadn't blown every British Redcoat they saw to smithereens, those blubbering idiot babes-against-firearms wouldn't have been allowed to march anywhere but straight to the washing machine.

Let's face it, folks. Girls are afraid of guns. That's a known fact. But to let 'em tell us real men that we can't pack heat is outrageous.

In fact, I'm so pig-biting mad right now I've got to take another gulp or two of Old Crow bourbon just to finish this column.

This great nation of ours was built on firearms. If we hadn't had guns back in the Old West, those damned redskins would've made us look like human pin cushions with their bows and arrows. And not only that, we wouldn't have had gunfighters like Wyatt Earp, Billy the Kid and Gunsmoke's Matt Dillon to make TV movies about.

My little grandson was popping off BBs at chipmunks in the backyard before he was 4, by gum. He's darn near 20 years old now, but he still carries a .9-mm pistol in a shoulder holster at all times.

You can't be too careful these days, my fellow Americans. There are so many bad guys packin' heat out there that if you don't fire back, you'll look like cheap Swiss cheese in no time when trouble breaks out.

I'm just sick that the womenfolk of America are out there screaming their ugly heads off about my right to bear arms. The only reason they don't like guns is that they can't shoot straight.

You try aiming a .44 magnum around a pair of 38Ds and see how many bulls-eyes you score, if you get my drift.

The day you take my gun away, if you live more than two seconds, you might as well drag off my bar-b-que grill and cancel my subscription to *Playboy*, I say.

I get one hell of a bang out of my shootin' irons. And a bunch of old bags marching on Washington are crazy in the head if they think I'm gettin' rid of my guns. In fact, ladies, I'm going out the door right now and buy five more pistols and a 30-30 deer rifle. You never know when Bambi and his buddies might show up. You know what I mean?

Ed Anger

. . . and pack our guns with us!

GALS WITH GUNS: What a joke, says Ed! Try aiming a .44 magnum around a pair of 38Ds and see

'Gunslinging culture' fueled NRA's comeback

NRA President Charlton Heston has helped to make guns fashionable again.

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JESUS' CROSS CURED

MIRACULOUSLY CURED: Biologist Dr. Hasse Jutterstrom, left, and Dr. Bernard Hersante were both working on Jesus' cross.

...say two scientists miraculously healed of dreaded disease!

JERUSALEM, Israel — Two scientists performing tests on a cross believed to be the cross of Jesus Christ have found themselves miraculously cured of cancer!

Archaeologist Dr. Bernard Hersante of France and biologist Dr. Hasse Jutterstrom of Sweden are part of a 13-man team of experts studying the ancient cross, which was found near here last summer. The mind-boggling discovery has been the subject of academic debate until now.

By LAUREL BOWIE
Weekly World News

"Professor Jutterstrom and I are firmly convinced that our work with Jesus' cross has saved our lives," Dr. Hersante, 62, told a reporter.

"I myself had suffered from pancreatic cancer for nine months and my doctors had given up all hope. I undertook this project convinced it would be my last.

"But after working over the cross of Jesus for six weeks, I'm told that suddenly the cancer is gone. My doctors can find no trace of it — and they say there is simply no medical explanation for what's happened.

"One day it was there and the next day it had disappeared."

And Dr. Jutterstrom, 37, saw his deadly lung cancer vanish just as mysteriously.

"I was a very sick man two months ago and now I'm well," he said. "My life was nearly over and suddenly I've been reborn. It's a beautiful feeling."

The miracle recoveries occurred as researchers pored over the wooden cross discovered by Dallas-based archaeologist Dr. Ronald Worthin on July 17, 1999, during an expedition to the Holy Land. A crown of thorns was found nearby — and tests have revealed that both the crown and the cross could very possibly be those of Jesus. "We've compared blood found on the cross with that from the Shroud of Turin, Jesus' burial cloth, and they are a match," Dr. Worthin said.

"And tests have shown that both the cross and the crown of thorns are between 1,925 and 2,000 years old. These and other analyses have convinced us beyond a doubt that this is the cross Christ was crucified on in 33 A.D."

But the archaeologist assembled a team of world-renowned scientists to conduct further tests, hoping to convince even the most die-hard skeptics that the find is genuine.

"We had planned — and still plan — to gather scientific evidence so overwhelming that no one, regardless of historical or religious beliefs, could doubt that we had found the cross of Jesus," Dr. Worthin said.

"But the fact that the cross is already a source of miracles — is already curing the 'incurably' ill — may in the end be the greatest proof of all."

CONVINCED: Dr. Ronald Worthin says the cross is already a source of miracles.

Hikers find 20-foot-tall gingerbread house!

WURTTEMBURG, Germany — Two hikers, walking in the Black Forest, have discovered the remnants of a house made entirely of gingerbread!

And some experts are claiming that it may be the one described in the *Hansel and Gretel* fairy tale.

The remains of the 200-year-old house are composed of bricks containing molasses and ginger, baked to a rock-hard consistency, then covered with glaze that allowed the corner and parts

"*Hansel and Gretel* was a popular folktale for years before Jacob and Wilhelm Grimm wrote it down and published it in 1823," historian Dr. Gerhardt Steinitz told reporters in a press conference here.

"The story probably originated some time in the 1700s in the Black Forest region, the very area where this house was found.

"It tells of two children, lost in the woods who come upon a gingerbread

the house in the story. The 20-foot-tall, two-story structure is located about 14 miles north of the tiny town of Waldkirch, where many men made their living cutting firewood.

"In the story, the children's father was a woodcutter."

But not all experts agree with Dr. Steinitz. "This whole *Hansel and Gretel* idea doesn't hold water," says Dr. Conrad Aarnst, another German historian and authority on 18th century Europe.

The molasses helped hold the bricks together by making them less likely to crumble.

"The ginger was used to keep away wild animals like black bears and wolves which, it was believed, were repelled by its odor."

But Dr. Steinitz insists his theory should be considered.

"If these gingerbread houses were so common, why haven't we found more of them?" he asked.

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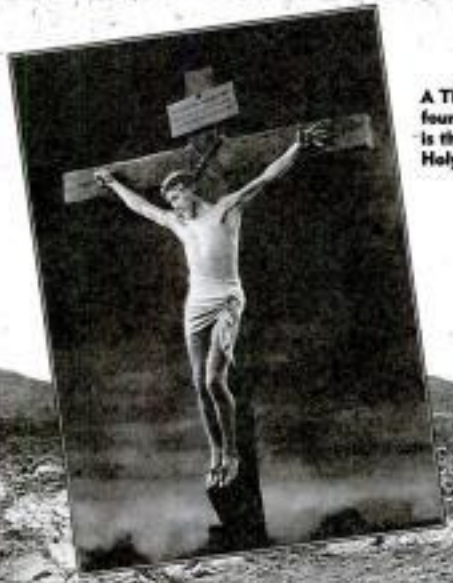

A TEAM of archaeologists found what they are sure is the cross of Jesus in the Holy Land in July 1999.

Incredible recoveries follow astonishing discovery in Holy Land

Killer wife stuffs dead hubby in storage locker — and forgets to pay the rent!

UPLAND, Calif. — If you kill your husband and stash his body in a storage locker, be sure to pay the rent on it!

That's a lesson alleged murderer Darlene Bourk learned the hard way.

Cops say she killed hubby Robert and crammed his corpse into a wardrobe box to it there for three long years.

Unfortunately for Darlene, she neglected three consecutive payments on the locker and the landlord auctioned off the contents.

Police say that when she realized what she'd done, she desperately tried to purchase the wardrobe box back.

Armless woman wins top prize in Venus de Milo look-alike contest!

ATHENS, Greece — A beautiful French woman has won the first annual Venus de Milo look-alike contest!

Miss Renee Moreau, 19, of Le Mans, beat out 19 other contestants in this bizarre new beauty competition held last month.

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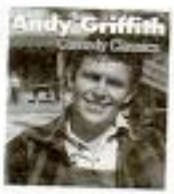

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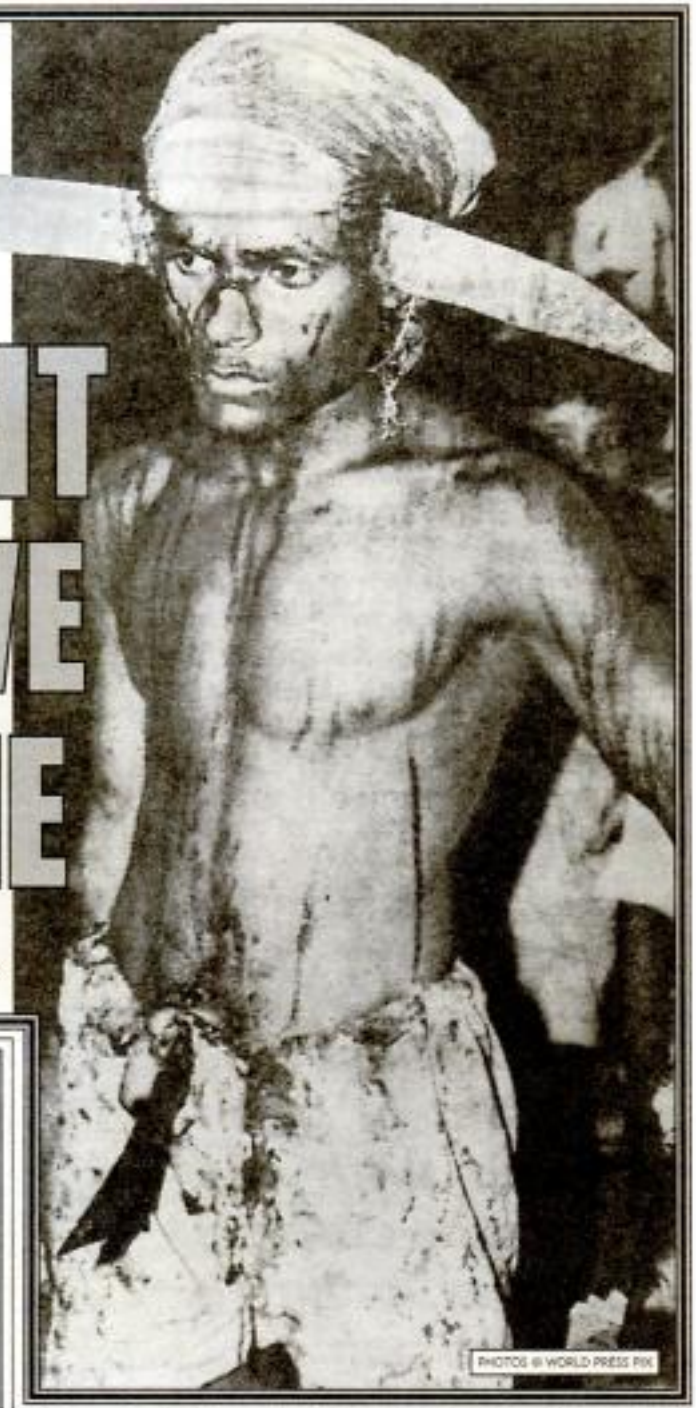

Onlookers gasp with astonishment when they spot holy man Ram Singh moseying down the streets of Jaungpura, India, with a bloody sword driven clear through his skull. Incredible Ram says he learned the spectacular stunt from another guru — but he isn't about to give away the centuries-old secret.

How to tell if your doctor's a drunken bum!

Ten percent of all physicians are alcoholics, drug users, suicidal or depressed — but you can tell if your own doctor is not up to par by watching for certain telltale signs, says an expert.

Here are the warning signs, according to Dr. Stephen Scheiber.

- The doctor is irritable or impatient with you, as well as the nurses or other members of his staff.
- He has a sloppy, uncared-for appearance.
- He looks unhealthy, fatigued and tense.
- **He frequently misses appointments or is late for appointments, without explanation.**
- **His moods swing abruptly during the short time you're in his office.**
- **He gets angry if you suggest getting a second opinion from another doctor about your case.**
- **He makes his hospital rounds at odd hours — for example, in the middle of the night — and not when other doctors normally make rounds.**

"If only one or two of these things happen, they may just be bad

Space aliens backed Julius Caesar!

ROME — Modern-day politicians such as Bill Clinton and George W. Bush aren't the first leaders ever to win the endorsement of space aliens, historians say. A team of archaeologists recently uncovered an ancient mosaic proving an extraterrestrial helped the great Roman general Julius Caesar rise to power. "Caesar often told his compatriots that his conquests were achieved with help from 'gods'," said British archaeologist Robert Budgway. "The

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My wife hired a housekeeper — and now I've got it maid!

FRANK in Texas.

Dear Dotti: I was dead set against my wife's idea to hire a woman to help her with the housekeeping because I thought she'd just get fat and lazy. Now I'm fighting tooth and nail to keep the cutie maid and my jealous wife wants to kick her out in the street.

My wife complained for years that she couldn't handle the housework by herself. I pointed out that other wives have no trouble keeping house and that in my opinion she was just lazy. As proof, I pointed out time and time again that married life had turned her into a blubbery bucket of lard. She kept complaining, so to shut her up, I let her hire a maid — and it was the best thing I've ever done. The maid's a real knockout, and when my wife steps out — the maid handles her wifely chores, if you know what I mean. Things went along great until my wife caught us smooching in the kitchen. Then all hell broke loose. Now my wife wants to fire the poor gal — but I refuse. It was just a little hug and kiss — that's all we've been caught at. I've promised never to get caught at it again. How can I convince her to keep my maid? — Frank in Texas

Dear Frank: Just an innocent little hug and kiss, huh? That's enough to spur even the laziest wife into action. Maybe you ought to read the next letter, you two-timing weasel.

CONFIDENTIALS

Dear Delicious in New Hampshire: At best it's a very sticky situation. You use sugar to catch flies. Maybe syrup will catch you a man.

Dear Gramps in Utah: I've heard from some dirty old men in my time, nut case — but you take the cake.

Dear Scared Bride-To-Be in Oregon: Your friend is either kidding you — or you are in big trouble. If there's a duck in the honeymoon suite, get your butt out of there fast.

Dear Doubtful in Texas: All left-handed men aren't sterile — some of them are dirty.

Dear Struck Out in Minnesota: Next time leave the tap-dancing parrot at home, pinhead.

Dear Bruised in Florida: Buy yourself a gun — or next time you WILL end up in the hospital.

Dear Desperate in Maryland: There are several ways of proving virginity but a urine test isn't one of them.

Dear Alarmed in Iowa: What a strange thing to do! For starters, I'd burn his rooster suit!

AMERICA'S MOST OUTSPOKEN ADVICE COLUMNIST

I've had it with my cheatin' bum hubby!

PAM in Texas.

Dear Dotti: I've had it up to here with my no-good, cheating hubby and I want a divorce! He won't keep his grubby mitts off the cleaning lady and when I tried to fire her, he went absolutely crazy. He swore I would never have to worry about catching him with her again, but I don't believe a word he says. Am I overreacting or should I dump the bum? — Pam in Texas

Dear Pam: Dump that worthless piece of trash — yesterday! By the way, if you read the first letter, you'll have a little extra ammunition for your divorce lawyer.

Are dirty movies sex education, Dotti?

Dear Dotti: My friend says that she likes to watch dirty movies to get new ideas about sex. But I feel me weird. I want to keep my old fashioned standards, yet I don't want to lose my friend. I don't have many. Who's right? — Confused in Michigan

Dear Confused: What on earth does her perverted sex life have to do with your friendship — or did I miss something?

I'm so blue they kick me out till happy hour's over!

ROBERT in Tennessee.

Dear Dotti: I have reached the end of my rope — and if there was a noose in it I'd put it around my neck. The trouble started six months ago when my wife loaded our son, TV and checkbook in my truck and vanished. I found out a few days later that my best buddy disappeared, too. If that wasn't bad enough, my sister got arrested for murder and Mom told me she has cancer. A few days later I got fired and I've been out of work their backs on me. I started drinking pretty heavily and chasing women, but that ended when I got herpes. Now, nobody — not even the bartender — will talk to me. What can I do? If you say cheer up, I'll stick my head in the oven and turn on the gas. — Robert in Tennessee

Dear Robert: Cheer up, loser.

Spineless husband won't beat our little girls!

OLIVIA in Washington.

Dear Dotti: My husband lost his job, so we had to reverse roles, with me being the breadwinner in our family. He does all the cooking and cleaning and the raising of our two girls, ages 5 and 8. But he refuses to discipline them, telling them, "Wait until Mommy gets home," to scare them into behaving. The girls need a father who they respect. And since he never punishes them, regardless of what they do, they're turning into spoiled brats. Do you think it's right for me to come home from work and do all the spanking? — Olivia in Washington

Dear Olivia: As I recall, those long hours waiting for Daddy to get home the one wearing the pants now, you need to start using that belt for more than just keeping your britches up.

My shyster hubby cheats the IRS!

Dear Dotti: He did it again! Each year my husband, who is an attorney, makes out our taxes for the IRS, and I swear he cheats on every item. I looked at one deduction he took where he said he gave our church $1,500 a year in cash. That's a complete lie. We are pretty well off and he gives me plenty of money to spend. I love this guy, I just feel he should be honest with his government and especially his church. How can I get him to quit cheating and tell it like it is? We can afford our taxes easily. — Guilty in Illinois

Dear Guilty: If it bothers you that much, Miss Goody-Two-Shoes, send what you think he really owes to me — and I'll make sure it ends up in the right hands.

Here's how YOU can write DOTTI PRIMROSE

Send Los Angeles-based Dotti a letter, and a picture if possible — and let her tell it like it is. Write to Dear Dotti, c/o Weekly World News, 5401 NW Broken Sound Blvd., Boca Raton, Fla. 33487. We'll forward your letters to her. NOTE: *Even though she tries her best, it would be*

Pounds melt away fast on . . .

THE CLOCK-

THIS HOUR-BY-HOUR PLAN WILL MAKE YO

You can melt away pounds and achieve the slim, trim physique you've always dreamed of — by watching the clock and making small changes in your lifestyle hour by hour!

By doing some very simple things at certain key times of the day, you can stick to your diet and exercise program long enough to see excess weight vanish — forever, experts say.

Doctors say the No. 1 reason people fail to lose weight is that they attack the project too drastically. They starve themselves, throw themselves into impossibly intense exercise programs, gobble diet pills like popcorn and guzzle liquid slim-down supplements by the gallon — until finally the d dieter gives up in exasperation.

Nutritionists, exercise gurus other specialists in the field of w that the best approach to losing it off is to make a series of sm day-to-day life. Don't do anythin small alterations in your lifestyl with comfortably — until they be

Start with the minute-by-m changes outlined below and b those excess pounds will begin ingly by magic.

MEDICAL WARNING: Remember to consult your doctor before making major changes in your diet or lifestyle.

6:30 a.m. START THE DAY WITH POSITIVE THOUGHTS.

Before you even get out of bed, say, "Today I will think and behave like a slim and healthy person," or "Day by day, the pounds melt away."

Perhaps there are other inspiring statements you can tell yourself that will put you in the right state of mind.

If you tend to be a little foggy in the morning, you can write them down and keep them by your bed so you'll have them right there when you open your eyes.

7 a.m. EXERCISE, BUT DON'T OVERDO IT.

Most people don't realize that a little exercise goes a long way toward eliminating those extra pounds.

Fitness physiologists say the best weight-loss exercise is aerobic — jogging, walking, bicycling or swimming. But just 20 minutes, four times a week, is plenty. Don't make it so hard and miserable that you can't stick with it.

7:30 a.m. EAT A GOOD BREAKFAST.

You've heard it a million times, but it's true. Nutri-tionists agree that fat people typically skip breakfast, then wind up too hungry to control themselves later in the day.

Include fruit, whole-grain cereal and either skim milk or nonfat yogurt in your breakfast.

8 a.m. WALK TO WORK.

If you can't, at least try to park some distance from your building so you get a little walking in.

If you don't work away from home, find other opportunities to put walking into your day.

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Studies show burn calories.

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9 a.m. DRINK LOT

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10:30 a.m. TAKE A SHORT MIDMORNING WALK.

While others at your workplace step out for a cigarette or shove money into vending machines to get fat-laden food, use your coffee break to take a two- or three-minute walk around the building. Every little bit helps.

If you're at home, walk to the end of the block and back.

12:00 noon BRING YOUR LUNCH — AND INCLUDE SOUP.

Surveys reveal some surprising things about the noonday meal. First, people who pack their own lunch and bring it to work are more successful at dropping unwanted pounds than those who order out or buy food from machines. Second, people who include thick soups, in small quantities — do better than those who don't.

If you're at home during the day, all the better — just don't send out for pizza.

12:15 p.m. RELAX WHILE YOU EAT.

That's right! Taking your time at mealtime helps you feel full.

Doctors say it takes about 20 minutes for your stomach to send the "I'm full" message to your brain.

And playing relaxing music helps you eat less by slowing down the movement of your

2:30 p.m. MAKE SURE YOUR AFTERNOON SNACK CONTAINS FRUIT.

Some people get hungry about two hours after lunch. That's when it's easy to reach for a candy bar or doughnut.

Have fruit instead.

And drink ice water — it will fill you up and you'll burn 31 calories warming a quart of icy water to 98.6°F.

4 p.m. WORK OUT AT WORK.

Don't duck into the nearest restroom — walk to the one that's farthest away and burn a few calories in the process.

Take the stairs instead of the elevator. Get up from your desk and go talk to colleagues instead of using the phone or sending e-mail.

6 p.m. RESIST THE BUFFET.

After a hard day's work, it's tempting to reject the idea of cooking and head for the nearest restaurant. Eating out is okay IF you know how to handle it. Don't go to an all-you-can-eat place.

Decide well in advance what you will be ordering and stick to your plan.

Include fish in your dinner at least four times a week and ask that it be cooked with very little oil.

7 p.m. PRAY AND/OR MEDITATE.

If you believe in God, take a few moments to thank Him for getting you through the day. If you're not so inclined, at least take some quiet, unhurried time to yourself and "unwind." Studies show that people who include a period of relaxing meditation in their day are more successful at losing weight than those who don't.

10 p.m. REVIEW YOUR DAY.

Ask yourself how you did. Did you sneak an extra portion of potatoes or rice into your dinner? Did you weaken and have that candy bar?

Be honest with yourself, but whatever you do, don't let a little slipup discourage you.

Psychologists say a major reason people give up on their diets is that after a tiny slip, they say "I blew it. Might as well go all the way."

But don't. Just honestly evaluate your progress. Congratulate yourself for what you did right and resolve to improve on what you did wrong.

10:15 p.m. GET TO BED EARLY.

Studies show that being short on sleep is a major cause of overeating. Sleep-deprived people try to beef up their sagging energy with food when what they really need is sleep. Try to get at least

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Kentucky man is allergic to his own hair!

By KEVIN CREED
Weekly World News

LEXINGTON, Ky. — Computer programmer Dennis Halibak must shave his entire body three or four times a day or suffer nausea, skin rashes and severe shortness of breath — because he's allergic to his own head and body hair!

Halibak's condition, known as Reidmun's Syndrome, is so rare that there have been only 17 reported cases in history.

Doctors say that for reasons not completely understood, Halibak, 29, cannot tolerate exposure to hair anywhere on his body.

Even as little as one-tenth of an inch of hair can trigger a potentially fatal asthma attack and cause massive swelling of his muscles and organ tissue.

But incredibly, like other Reidmun's sufferers, the man isn't the least bit allergic to anyone else's hair — and isn't allergic to animal hair.

If Halibak's going to be away from home for more than five or six hours, he must carry a razor and two cans of shaving cream with him everywhere he goes.

"It can get embarrassing," he says. "I frequently work in large corporate offices. I've been caught more than once standing naked by the sink in the men's room with my body covered in foam. People can get pretty weirded out when they walk in and see that."

But the consequences of ignoring the problem are far worse. Twice, after neglecting to shave, Halibak has been rushed to a hospital with acute shortness of breath.

At other times, he's suffered painful rashes that have caused his body to swell to almost twice its normal size.

"It's not easy," Halibak says. "But it's not the worst thing in the world. There are people who have a lot tougher time in life than I do."

Halibak's girlfriend of two years says she never gives her partner's malady a second thought. "It was hard to get used to at first," she says.

"But I'm used to it now. It's just a part of our lives by this time.

"In fact, I kind of like that smooth skin of his. I can't imagine him any other way."

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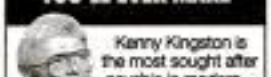

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But the truth is, the word has nothing to do with the

GOVERNMENT ADMITS THAT UFO SIGHTING WAS NOT REAL!

WASHINGTON — It's official, folks. That mysterious triangular object reported in the skies above the nation's capital last June by 10,305 witnesses was not really a UFO — it was the product of "mass hysteria," a government investigation has concluded.

People flooded radio and TV stations, newspapers and police stations with calls reporting the object, described as being the length of a football field.

In Kentucky, there's a law on the books requiring every citizen

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My new baby is a demon from the bowels of Hell!

AMERICA'S SEXIEST PSYCHIC

Serena Sabak

Let Dallas-based Serena help you! Write to her c/o Weekly World News, 5401 NW Broken Sound Blvd., Boca Raton, Fla. 33487. We'll forward your letters to her. Don't send money. Serena's advice is free. NOTE: Though she tries her best, it would be impossible for Serena to answer all of the thousands of letters she gets each week.

CINDY in Connecticut.

Dear Serena: I just gave birth to a baby — but it isn't mine. My husband and all the doctors say I'm crazy. They say Rebecca couldn't possibly have been switched by mistake because my husband was in the delivery room with me and to date, the baby hasn't left our sight even for a minute. But that's not what I'm talking about. I know the baby wasn't switched — I also know that it isn't mine. The baby is evil. Maybe a demon or some other supernatural creature took possession of my baby when it was still in my womb. I'm not crazy, Serena. Please help. — Cindy in Connecticut

Dear Cindy: A demon didn't take possession of your baby — a demon took possession of your mind. It was trying to make you harm Rebecca, but I banished it with my Spell of Clear Thought and Protection. As you now know, your daughter is, in fact, your flesh and blood. If you have any other problems, please write or call. By the way, I see great things in store for your Rebecca. Think opera!

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PAM in Georgia.

Dear Serena: You can't know how much I love my boyfriend! I dream of the day he will walk out of prison a free man. Because you are psychic, I'm sure you already know Pete was framed. He didn't kill anybody. He wouldn't hurt a fly. But he's in prison for at least 25 years because of that murder. I'll wait for him until time stands still if I have to, Serena, but it would be nice to know exactly when he'll get out so I can plan for his homecoming. — Pam in Georgia

Dear Pam: I'm sorry to tell you this, but Pete will get out of prison in August. Unfortunately, it will have nothing to do with good behavior. The AIDS-related cancer he never told you about will take a sudden turn for the worse and will kill him just weeks later. I'm telling you this now so you can prepare yourself emotionally and begin to move on with your life. For the record, Pete wasn't framed. He killed that pregnant woman with 264 stab wounds to the chest, heart and back. And there are six other murders he committed that police don't even know about.

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Dear Serena: I had a dream in which I met and married that late-night TV star David Letterman. I probably should have kept my mouth shut. But I told my parents and a few friends — and now I'm a laughingstock. Everywhere I go, people say things like, "How's Mrs. Letterman today?" It isn't easy being the butt of all these jokes, Serena, but my dream was so real I'm convinced that it was telling my future. Can you confirm it? If it helps, I'm 28 years old and have never been married. — Eileen in Kansas

EILEEN in Kansas.

Dear Eileen: I'm happy to confirm that you will indeed marry David Letterman — it just won't be the David Letterman we all see on TV. For one thing, you'll notice that your David spells his last name "Letteman" without an "r." When you meet him after starting your new job, you'll also find that he's much younger than TV's David Letterman. And, dare I say it? — he's more handsome, too!

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Dear Serena: All my life I've dreamed of moving to China. I must have lived there in a past life, because when I look at photos and drawings of China, it all seems so familiar. I get nostalgic and just "feel" like there's something in China that I need to investigate and experience. But quitting my job and leaving my wife and kids to fend for themselves while I'm halfway around the world is pretty serious stuff and I need to know if it's the right thing to do. Tell me what to do. — Charles in Louisiana

CHARLES in Louisiana.

Dear Charles: Stay right where you are. Six months from now, a major multinational corporation will buy the company you work for — and transfer you and your family to China at its expense. You'll get free housing and a significant increase in salary and benefits. And the good news doesn't stop there. Once in China, you'll find your suspicions about having lived there in a past life are correct. Not only that, you'll come face-to-face with a 5,000-year-old jade carving — of yourself.

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PERSONAL TO . . .

Devastated in Ohio: **You're blaming the wrong person for ruining your marriage. Your best friend didn't do it — your bisexual sister did.**

Ricky in Florida: **The psychic you consulted to the tune of $250 an hour is wrong. You won't win the lottery now or ever — but your ex-wife will.**

Fortune Teller

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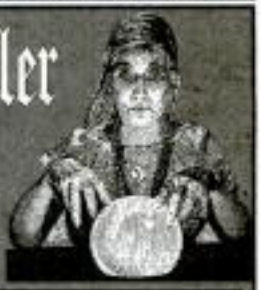

What is your secret message from the Orient this week? It's easy and fun to decipher. Here's the key to decoding your message:

If the number of letters in your first name is 5 or less, subtract that number from 7. If there are more than 5 letters in your first name, subtract the total from 13.

Now take the result and find your key letter in the word ORIENT above. Starting at the upper left corner of the box below, check each one of your key letters as it appears from left to right. The letters below each of your letters spell out a coded message for you.

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ACROSS

1 Eke out a living (3 wds)
6 Worldly, sophisticated
12 TV; — tube
14 Hawaiian dish
15 Racing circuit
16 "— Ha!"
19 Like gymnastic bars
20 Jeers, mocks
21 Secured a vessel
23 Big numbers
25 Gamblers venue
26 Zurich native
27 Hyper (Sl)
28 Evoke a response
30 Indian currency
31 Paddles
34 Shoe part
36 Take for ransom
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40 Gin mixer
41 "— Yankees": Broadway musical
42 Electrical units
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47 Was in debt
49 Ostrich cousins
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52 Funnyman Bill, for short
54 Jungle cat
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102 System of belief
103 Slow shell dweller
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106 Lustrous fabric
107 Erotic, provocative
109 Military men
111 Aromatic plants
112 Gretel's brother
114 Small river
116 Fastening strip
117 Dracula's weapon
118 Apply lightly
119 Public vehicle
120 Dull, dreary
122 Unchangeable one
125 Feared
128 Baby's apron
129 Singer Ono
130 Jackson or Mulgrew
131 — out; deleted
132 Japanese robes
135 Word for word
138 Streetcar
140 Drug police
141 One — — million
143 Young girl
144 Stress ailment
147 Climbed up
149 Clumsy person (Sl)
151 Uses a phone
154 Searcher
156 Leg joint
159 Derby, tam and tuque
160 Fiscal plan
161 Assumed name
162 Laurel's partner
167 Oust from the game
168 Adjust a garment
169 Harmonious; in —
170 Arose
171 Liberace, for one
174 Real estate document
176 Land measurement
177 Before, to a poet
179 Italian island
181 Process food
183 Shrimp dish
185 Soak to the bone
187 Saucer pilots
189 Tip top (2 wds)
190 Foot the bill
191 Biblical book
192 Talk and talk
193 Disclosed
195 Sleep disorder
197 Reserved and remote
199 Type of pie
202 Skin preparation
204 Duck, sidestep
206 Cosmetic surgeries
209 Goodbye, in Mexico
211 Quaker pronoun
213 Penned
215 Mr. Rather
216 Bulbous vegetable
217 Ripening agent
220 Private combat
222 Dollar bills
223 Female saint (Abbr)
225 Shooters club, for short
227 Church song
229 Region
231 The — of the ball
232 Catch sight of
233 Lampoonery
235 Against prefix
237 "To — his own"
238 Slap
239 Sloppy one
241 Gem weight
242 Portals
243 On land
245 Electrify
246 Dairy product
247 A gentleman may prefer this
248 Kitty bristles
249 Tizzy
250 College course; pre- —
251 Tiny
252 Alleviate
253 Santa's night (2 wds)
254 At a great rate, slangily (3 wds)

DOWN

1 Painful cry
2 Flowering
3 Barcelona locale
4 Whipped dessert
5 Relativity man
7 Reduce one's pace (2 wds)
8 Semper Fi guy
9 Puccini work
10 Most competent
11 Hand or foot feature
12 Storage place
13 The Far East
17 Linger about
18 Equally by all (2 wds)
19 Concerning the pope
20 Chubby Checker's dance
22 Train station
24 Nasal cavity
25 Cow chew
29 "— the season..."
32 Dressing gown
33 Young pig
35 — Dorado
37 "Give — a rest!"
38 Fathered
39 Mental picture
43 Gender
45 Spanish house
48 Drunkard
51 Treacherous
52 Entertainer Holm
53 Seventh inning happening
59 Small land mass
60 Spoken for
61 Inspire
62 Deserve
64 Stitched line
65 Take apart
67 Trite expression
69 Delicate
72 Foul odor
74 Tilted
76 Teasing
78 Chilled
80 Terminates
81 Photocopied (TM)
82 Actor Robert
83 Cavalry sword
84 Track & field contests
85 Mechanic's needs
88 Passover meal
89 "The Best — Of Our Lives"
90 Red or blue
91 Hold onto
93 Legally accountable
95 Bare
97 Lofty abodes
99 Ran amok
105 Peruse a book
106 Concrete component
108 Three feet
110 Gave wages to
112 Boat havens
113 Worked hard
114 Brooding
115 Certain Socialist
117 Pass out
121 Edible roots
123 "— — were a rich man..."
124 Cable channel
126 Fruit beverage
127 Pitcher's stat
132 Type of cabbage
133 Submissively
134 Bag
135 Thailand neighbor
136 Corporate attacker
137 Singer Lovett
139 Sewer cover
140 Tractor inventor
142 Oohed and —
143 Numbers game
144 Amount consumed
145 Stop immediately
146 Bridle straps
148 Faulty, as plumbing
150 Tied, as a shoe
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164 Bumped and clunked
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175 Church official
178 Whiskey types
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200 Wacky
201 Stop on — —
203 From now on
205 Let fall
207 Frame of mind
208 Deny a request (2 wds)
210 Island of Scotland
211 Veiling fabric
212 A dozen less one
214 Theme paper
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TENNESSEE MINISTER — FOR 18

SADISTIC SICKO: Rev. Joseph Combs was found guilty of kidnapping, aggravated assault, rape, and perjury — and sentenced to 114 years in prison.

By MANNY SILVER/Weekly World News

BRISTOL, Tenn. — Baptist minister Joseph Combs and his wife Evangeline were respected pillars of the community — until lawmen discovered that they were really sadistic sickos who brutally tortured their foster daughter Esther for 18 years and treated her like the family slave!

Shocking courtroom testimony revealed that Esther, now 22, was regularly beaten with baseball bats, burned with curling irons, tied to a chair and thrown down the stairs as part of her hellish upbringing.

And from the time she was 9 years old, her foster father sexually abused her — while professing to be a God-fearing man of the cloth.

Rev. Combs, 51, was convicted of aggravated assault, rape and perjury and his wife was found guilty of aggravated child abuse. Both were convicted of kidnapping for taking Esther from an orphanage and never adopting her, as they'd promised.

Rev. Combs was sentenced to 114 years in prison, with no chance of parole for 50 years. Evangeline Combs, 50, was

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RUSHED TO A HOSPITAL: After Esther, the Combs' foster child, tried to kill herself by drinking antifreeze, doctors found over 400 scars on her body.

sentenced to 65 years in prison, with a chance of parole after 25 years.

The sickening saga finally came to light in 1997 when Esther was hospitalized after trying to kill herself by drinking antifreeze.

One of her siblings called 911 — and she was rushed to the hospital, where doctors discovered more than 400 scars all over her body.

"They were from the top of her head to the bottom of her feet — most in places normally hidden by clothing," said Sullivan County District Attorney Greeley Wells.

Church members never knew of Esther's living hell because the pastor and his wife kept a very tight reign on their kids, Wells said.

"They couldn't speak to anyone unless one of their parents was present," he told *Weekly World News*. "They were home-schooled and had no friends outside the home.

"When church members brought food over for the family, they had to leave it on the porch. No one was allowed inside.

"The church members thought it was a little strange.

"But because he was a preacher, they didn't feel they could question Rev. Combs.

"For the most part, people feel that a preacher can do no wrong. He was hiding behind the facade of being a preacher."

But after Esther was hospitalized, her secret nightmare was exposed for all to see — and so were her evil parents, who had taken her from an Indiana orphanage as an infant but never formally adopted her.

Esther was not only a slave, she didn't legally exist.

"She had no legal identity," says Dist. Atty. Wells. "No birth certificate, no Social Security number, nothing.

"Esther's legal name was 'infant girl Garcia' — and without an identity, she couldn't get a job or a driver's license, or write a check — things that Americans take for granted every day."

But at long last, justice has prevailed.

Esther, whom Wells describes as "a very bright girl," is now studying for her GED high school equivalency diploma and wants to become a nurse.

Despite the lengthy prison sentences handed out to her foster parents, however, some folks here think they got off too easy.

"Many people in the community are of the opinion they should have to suffer the way Esther suffered," says Wells.

MINISTER'S WIFE: Evangeline Combs, left, was

HUNDREDS INJURED IN SEWER-COVER THEFTS!

BEIJING — Chinese officials are worried about a new type of crime: A wave of sewer-cover thefts that have endangered drivers and pedestrians and destroyed countless vehicles all across the

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The gaping holes in the pavement have caused serious

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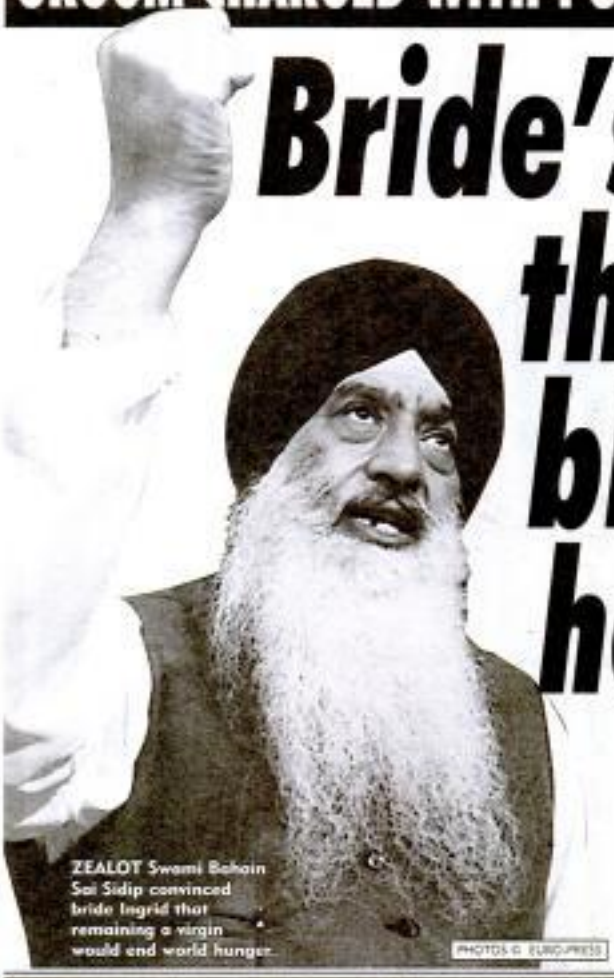

ZEALOT Swami Bahain Sai Sidip convinced bride Ingrid that remaining a virgin would end world hunger.

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SECRETIVE Ingrid Ewald didn't tell her husband about her pledge until their wedding night!

COPENHAGEN, Denmark — Beautiful bride Ingrid Ewald waited till her honeymoon to announce she had taken a secret vow to end world hunger — by remaining a virgin for the rest of her life!

By REGINA HARMON
Weekly World News

The blue-eyed blonde university student told her husband Niels that she had renounced the pleasures of sex at the behest of religious guru Swami Bahain Sai Sidip and refused to join her husband in bed on their wedding night.

The angry hubby was accused of slapping and punching his wife early the next morning, according to local news accounts. He has been charged with assault and battery on the 18-year-old woman.

"I don't care about world hunger," Ewald, 24, told a judge in Copenhagen criminal court. "I wanted a honeymoon like normal people have. I wanted to have sex with my wife."

Ewald testified that his wife had been a devoted fiancee before their marriage and had given no indication of any objections to a normal love life. He knew she had become involved with a mystical religious sect that emphasized personal responsibility for world affairs, he said, but he had no idea his wife had taken her bizarre vow.

ANGRY groom Niels Ewald says he doesn't give a lick about world hunger and wants a divorce.

When the two left their wedding reception and went to a hotel, he said, he was told that Ingrid had decided to give that if a million virgins would give up sex for good, then a million people would have full bellies." Ewald recalled. "She said she knew it would be hard but that it was the right thing to do."

Ewald said he did not believe Ingrid at first, but after hours of arguing, he became convinced that he would not only spend that night without passion — but he'd have to do without sex every night as long as he was married!

He said the anger and frustration he felt when he realized his predicament was what led to his attack on his wife.

Ingrid was hospitalized with cuts and broken bones, but she is expected to recover completely. She has confirmed the details of Ewald's story and says she intends to remain faithful to her vow.

"I want a divorce," Ewald told the judge during his arraignment. "I am so

Who wants to be a . . . convict!

Think quiz shows are exciting now? In the late 1950s, a man calling himself Patrick Quinn went on the show *Super Password* and won $58,600 — the largest jackpot in the show's history.

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Find the right cockroach — and win a cool $1 million!

TUCSON, Ariz.— Forget about winning big on some highfalutin TV game show. You can rake in a cool $1 million by catching a cockroach that's been let loose somewhere in America with a special bar code on its back!

By MICHAEL FORSYTH
Weekly World News

In the most bizarre nationwide contest in history, an exterminating company has released hundreds of specially marked roaches in various cities coast to coast.

The person who captures the grand-prize bug wins a whopping $25,000 a year for the next 40 years.

Runner-up roaches are worth lesser bounties, ranging from $100 cash to a new car — appropriately enough, a Volkswagen bug!

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To enter, all you have to do is round up one cockroach — sorry, the limit is one per household. Then turn it in to one of the 14 participating exterminators by June 30.

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If the bug has a bar code on its back, you win a prize! And that's not your only chance to hit it big. The person who submits the longest cockroach nationwide wins $5,000 — even if it has no bar code. And the longest in each participating city is worth $1,000.

It might sound like catching the right insect out of the hundreds of millions of the scuttling creatures all over America would be like finding a needle in a haystack.

But your chances of finding the $1million roach "are probably as good as winning the lottery," says Bruce Tennenbaum, whose company Arizona Pest

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By SCOTTY PAUL / *Weekly World News*

TENERIFE, Canary Islands — Worried officials are investigating frightening accounts from 30 seamen who have watched helplessly as ships were attacked and sunk — by what they believe is the ghost of legendary Moby Dick.

Two freighters, three tankers and at least a dozen private ships have sunk since December after repeated attacks by a huge harpooned white whale with a peg leg skeleton roped to his back.

"It was the most terrifying sight I've ever seen," said a Filipino crewman, who was a cook on a 650-foot freighter that sank May 19 near the Canary Islands.

"The whale came up under the bow of the ship and flipped it over like it was a toy boat in a bathtub. The ship sank almost immediately," said Domingo Mallare, who was rescued with 11 other crewmen by a passing tanker three days later.

Moby Dick was the 45-ton, 53-foot killer whale in Herman Melville's fictional thriller by the same name. It is the story of a deranged whaling captain's obsessive voyage to find and destroy the great white whale that had ripped off his leg.

The novel ended with the crazed peg-leg captain bound to the back of Moby Dick by a rope from his own harpoon that was sticking out of the whale's back as it headed out to sea.

"We have statements from 30 credible eyewitnesses in the North Atlantic and South Pacific, who say the ghostly whale in every attack had been harpooned and appeared to have the skeletal remains of someone with a peg leg tied to his back," said a spokesman for the Norwegian Maritime Commission.

The phantom whale has also attacked and sunk a tanker and miles north of Tahiti and off the coast of New Zealand.

A reported 20 other ships of varying sizes have mysteriously vanished under similar circumstances near the Falkland Islands and within 100 miles of the coast of Japan.

"I don't believe in ghosts, but I do believe the eyewitness accounts of ship captains and stories. Their ships were sunk — apparently by the same ghost whale."

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New chicken game sweeps Europe!

Road warriors race down wrong side of highway . . . INTO ONCOMING TRAFFIC!

By ROBIN JAMES/*Weekly World News*

MADRID, Spain — Macho motorists all over Europe are gambling fortunes and lives on a death-defying game called La Muerta!

In the game, which originated in Spain, the object is to speed down the wrong side of the highway for miles on end without getting killed. Horrifyingly, players who meet oncoming traffic are expected to speed straight ahead and are not allowed to turn their steering wheels!

"It's totally insane," said police Lt. Lorenzo Soler of the Spanish Guardia Civil. "It's impossible to say how many motorists around this country are involved in the game but we think it's in the hundreds. And now it's spreading to other countries like France, Italy and Greece.

"And these aren't kids — these are adult males who risk their lives for large sums of money. The stakes often go as high as $20,000 a game. Since La Muerta became popular three months ago, fourteen players have been injured in Spain alone. And at least as many innocent motorists have been killed by players on the highway."

Just how the game originated isn't clear, Lt. Soler said. But arrest records show that most players caught driving in a La Muerta game are drunk out of their minds or high on cocaine.

They drive everything from minicars to massive 18-wheelers, the officer said. The average wrong-side run is 10 miles and speeds are limited only by the power of the vehicles involved.

Former player Mateo Ballarin claims to have run four races with bringing him to his senses before he killed someone or got killed himself.

"The game is incredibly addictive," he told a local newspaper. "The speed, danger and sheer exhilaration of risking lives keeps most players coming back for more. If I didn't have a wife who loves me, I'd still be doing it myself.

"I don't know how many innocent people I ran off the road when I was playing. If it hadn't been for their quick reactions, I'd be facing a manslaughter rap or be a statistic myself."

Spanish police have boosted road patrols in a bid to prevent more blood from being shed and they're sharing information with police officials from other European nations.

"Frankly, there's only so much we can do," said Lt. Soler. "Our best hope is that these maniacs will see how crazy this is and stop."

Super-termites heading north!

MEXICO CITY — A newly discovered breed of "super-termites" can demolish a 3,600-square-foot wooden home in under three weeks, entomologists warn — and these hungry bugs are headed toward the U.S.!

Experts say that the insects, believed to be a cross between South American and Mexican termites, have destroyed more than 1,100 homes in Mexico and

Japanese invent suicide robot!

TOKYO — Committing hara-kiri just got a whole lot easier in the Land of the Rising Sun — thanks to a new robot that helps you perform the ancient Japanese form of ritual suicide!

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NEWLYWEDS: YOUR MARRIAGE MAY BE A MATCH MADE IN HELL!

RECOGNIZING the symptoms of a mismatched marriage can save you years of heartache.

NEW YORK CITY — Warning to newlyweds: You may have married the wrong person — even if right now you're happy as a lark!

That is the alarming message of a veteran marriage counselor, who says many couples experience marital woes simply because the union was a match made in Hell to begin with.

"There are some very specific signs that you and your mate don't really belong together," says psychologist Dr. Lori Kuriman. "If you recognize these symptoms early on, you can make a decision about cutting your losses and getting out of the situation quickly — thus avoiding years of needless heartache."

By MIKE FOSTER
Weekly World News

Here, from the expert, are 10 warning signs that you tied the knot with Mr. or Mrs. Wrong:

1 You sometimes find yourself looking back wistfully at past sweethearts. Even old partners you weren't that crazy about at the time suddenly seem wonderful.

2 You fantasize about other people during lovemaking.

"It's one thing to have occasional sexual thoughts about members of the opposite sex, but when you can't become aroused without conjuring up the face of someone other than your mate, the marriage is headed for the rocks," said Dr. Kuriman.

PSYCHOLOGIST Dr. Lori Kuriman.

10 tip-offs that it's time to dump your new mate — NOW!

3 You frequently think back to the time you were a bachelor or bachelorette and remember that period of your life as "the good old days."

4 You sometimes find yourself "tuning out" your spouse, not hearing what it is they've said — as if part of you is denying that the person even exists.

5 You argue mostly about minor matters instead of big issues regarding your future together.

"This suggests that deep down, you don't expect to have a future together," said Dr. Kuriman.

6 When a member of the opposite sex flirts with your mate, you don't really feel jealous.

7 You prize time alone and actually look forward to your partner's trips away from home.

8 You often cast your mind back to the moment you decided to marry and wonder what would have happened if you had chosen otherwise. "This is a common form of marriage-denial," says the expert.

9 You sometimes think about what you would do if your partner were dead.

10 You often find yourself asking the question, "Did I marry the wrong person?" Notes Dr. Kuriman, "If you have to ask, of course, the answer probably is yes."

House ransacked by starving squirrel!

LONG BENNINGTON, England — A couple who came home to find their entire house had been ransacked assumed they'd been burglarized and called police — only to learn that the culprit was not a human thief, but a starving squirrel!

By MIKE FOSTER
Weekly World News

Cops say knickknacks were smashed, pots and pans were scattered all over the kitchen and sofa cushions, pillows and a mattress were torn and shredded.

"It didn't make any sense that it was burglary," said a police spokesman, "because nothing was missing. And yet the place had been turned upside down."

Detectives broke the case when they found tiny footprints in some spilled flour.

The hungry rodent apparently came down the chimney looking for nuts, which the couple, Roy and Janet Saddler, regularly leave out in the yard for birds.

One 10-year police veteran said he's rarely seen a home so completely gutted.

"It's hard to believe all that damage was done by a little squirrel," he said.

The bushy-tailed vandal escaped before cops could apprehend him.

Pirates chain businessman to safe — and then dump him into the sea!

QUEZON CITY, Phillippines — A gang of modern-day pirates didn't take it too kindly when obstinate Japanese businessman Oda Yakima refused to open his safe after they boarded his ship in the middle of the South China Sea.

The vicious cutthroats chained the 54-year-old businessman to the 800-pound safe, wheeled it to the side of the deck and

Castro picked as Man of the Year!

HAVANA — Kudos to Cuban dictator Fidel Castro. A government cultural organization has named him the country's Man of the Year — for the 35th year in a row!

DICTATOR Fidel Castro.

The classified ad said, "Wanted: a very experienced lumberjack." A man answered the ad and was asked to describe his experience.

"I've worked at the Sahara Forest."

"You mean the Sahara Desert," said the

From rags to riches — and back to rags!

Maid blows $2 million after lottery win — then finds it's all a big mistake!

HEARTBROKEN Aparecida Nogueira leaves her poor home on the wrong side of town. Millionaires for a day, she and her family now face the harsh reality of everyday life.

By JOE BERGER / *Weekly World News*

BELO HORIZONTE, Brazil — Impoverished mom Aparecida Nogueira was so excited when she learned she'd won a $2 million lottery jackpot that she rushed out to buy all the things she'd always dreamed of — a flashy car, fancy clothes and a fabulous new home for her family.

Then the stunned scrubwoman found out it was all a horrible mistake — and she actually hadn't won a nickel!

"I'm just devastated," anguished Aparecida told reporters. "One minute they tell me I have won the lottery, and I am rich beyond my wildest imagination. I see a beautiful new life for me and my family.

"Then they tell me sorry, you have to give back the car and all the pretty clothes and everything. You are just a poor cleaning woman again."

The luckless lady's dream-turned-nightmare began when Brazilian lottery bosses notified the press that an entry mailed in by Aparecida's hubby Jose had won the $2 million grand prize jackpot.

Reporters rushed to interview the fat-cat family, but unsuspecting Jose, a jobless chauffeur, was out of town applying for work when the newspaper and TV crews arrived.

"They came and told me it was official that we had won," said the flustered mother of four. "They started asking me all the things I would do with the money. They also wanted me to pose with the winning ticket stub, but I told them Jose had that with him — they could come back and photograph him when he got home."

The minute the newsmen made tracks, elated Aparecida and two of her children set out on the shopping spree of a lifetime.

"We didn't have any money with us, but nobody seemed to care," said the shaken maid. "It was all over the news that we'd won $2 million, so wherever we went, they gave us credit.

"We bought the prettiest red car I've ever seen, then we went to the store and bought jewelry and clothes for everyone in the family.

"Next we went to the real estate people and started the paperwork to buy a wonderful home in the best part of the city — a mansion with six bedrooms and three chandeliers and a fireplace."

But the bubble burst that night when Jose got home, checked his ticket stub against the winning entry — and found to his horror that they didn't match.

"They had us mixed up with some engineer who had the same name as I do, some rich man we didn't know," said heartsick Jose. "He got all the money and we got nothing.

"Now Aparecida and I will never know what it's like to live like that.

"We were rich for only a day —

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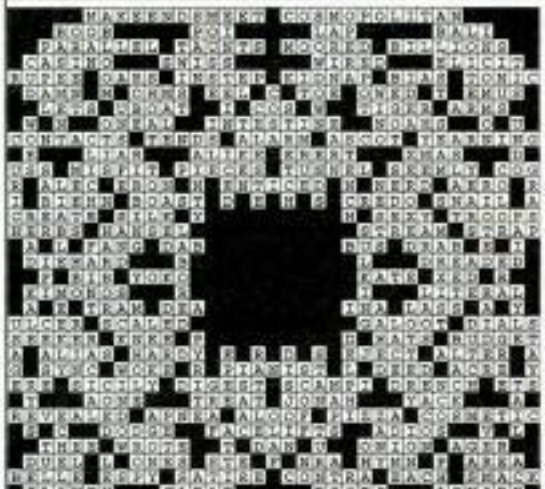

A man rushed into the doctor's office and shouted, "Doctor! I think I'm shrinking!"

JUST FOR

Pentagon searching for wife and son

WW II G.I. FOUND ON SOUTH PACIFIC ISLAND — JUST DAYS AGO!

By MACE GRAYSON / *Weekly World News*

WASHINGTON — The discovery of a World War II soldier in the South Pacific just days ago has stunned Army brass who had listed the 79-year-old man as missing in action since 1943 — and have now launched a nationwide search for his son and wife!

ISOLATED South Pacific island has been home to the lonely G.I. since 1943.

That's the word from author and World War II expert William Manx, who quoted highly placed Pentagon sources as having said the unidentified Army sergeant was flown to Washington under cover of darkness on May 28.

The sources went on to say that the soldier is undergoing physical and psychological evaluations at a private hospital in Washington.

And while the Pentagon will neither confirm nor deny it, the G.I. is said to be "in amazingly good health, especially for a man who spent 57 years on a deserted island in the South Pacific."

"We have always heard stories about old Japanese soldiers being found on those islands from time to time but this is absolutely without precedent," said Manx, whose explosive new book, *Missing in Action — What REALLY Happened to the Soldiers America Forgot*, is scheduled for a fall release.

"This particular soldier apparently survived the sinking of a transport ship in 1943 and managed to swim to an uncharted speck of land in the Solomon Island group," he continued.

"The Pentagon has been unusually tight-lipped. But from what I understand, a group of weekend adventurers found the soldier while exploring some of the

OFFICIALS flew the soldier to Washington, D.C., in this Air Force transport.

of Papua New Guinea in late May.

"They took him back to Port Moresby and alerted local authorities, who contacted U.S. officials with news of the rescue. Within hours, the soldier was on his way back to the United States."

WILLIAM MANX

As Manx pointed out, the Pentagon declines to discuss the case and will neither confirm nor deny the accuracy of the author's report.

"unimpeachable military sources" as having said that the soldier was the sole survivor of a transport ship that came under Japanese attack.

The G.I.'s name remains a closely guarded secret. But Manx did manage to obtain copies of snapshots that show the soldier in a tattered Army uniform a few minutes after he was found.

The author also learned

soldier hasn't seen since 1943!

SECRET government photo shows the elderly G.I. with a tattered flag and the ragged uniform he was wearing when he was found.

a hush-hush nationwide search for the soldier's wife — and the son he hasn't seen since he shipped out to the South Pacific in 1943.

"Details are sketchy at this early date, but I'm told that the soldier survived on coconuts, bananas and other native fruits, as well as meat from the fish and birds that he could catch," said Manx.

"My sources also tell me that the sergeant is somewhat agitated and confused, but that is to be expected. For most of us, World War II ended in 1945.

"But this soldier was total-

1943 snapshot of the long-lost G.I.'s wife and son. The picture was taken just weeks before the soldier was sent to the South Pacific — and he carefully

Woman sues airline for saying she's too fat to fly!

SALISBURY, Zimbabwe — Angry Gertrude Bollet has filed a million-dollar lawsuit against a local airline, claiming a ticket agent laughed in her face and refused to sell her a plane ticket — because she was too fat!

"He looked at me with a silly grin on his face and said, 'Madam, if we let you on, the airplane would never get off the ground,'" the 307-pound lady told reporters. "I was never so humiliated in my life."

An airline spokesman said the agent refused to sell jumbo Gertrude a ticket even though there was a seat available because he was afraid she would put the small plane over the weight limit.

GEEZERS GET A BRAIN-BOOST FROM SUGAR!

Sugar sharpens the memory of older people, a recent study discovered.

Memory tests were given to 12 college students and 11 older people, ranging in age from 58 to 77.

On the first day of the study, older people who drank lemonade that was sweetened with saccharin scored 30 percent lower than the students.

But on the second day, when the older people drank lemonade with sugar, their memories improved dramatically — they scored only 10 percent lower than the students.

Sugar had very little effect on the students' memories, according to Dr. Paul Gold, who did the study.

Dr. Donald Dudley believes that because sugar gives older people a quick burst of energy, it also perks up their memory.

He added: "People whose memories are slipping should consider eating a few extra sugary foods. It's as simple as eating a candy bar, pastry or drinking a non-diet soda pop.

"But," he cautioned, "if they are suffering from any form of diabetes, they should consult with their physician first."

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THE TAROT REVEALS IDENTITY OF TRUE SOULMATE BY NAME!

Tempe, Arizona--Julie Burgess was more depressed than she had ever been before when she called her tarot expert, Sandra. "Sandra knew immediately that I had been badly abused as a child and had never had any luck in relationships. It was very clear to her through the cards! I was amazed that she knew this. But what she told me next changed my life forever!"

"Julie, your soulmate is within reach right now. He is a Leo and his name is Bob!" A few short weeks later, Julie met Bob. It was true love at first sight! Julie reports that they have already set a date for the wedding!

Divorced couple remarries — 51 years later!

ST. GALLEN, Switzerland — Two oldsters found that the flame of love still burned when they met and married — 51 years after they had divorced each other!

Kathryn and Edgar Schwizer were first married in 1946 and divorced in 1949.

Both later remarried, but Kathryn lost her husband to cancer and Edgar lost his wife in a car accident.

Kathryn, 77, and 79-year-old Edgar realized they were still in love when they met again last December at their son's house during a family reunion.

The couple exchanged wedding vows last week at a chalet outside of Zurich.

Mona Lisa didn't raise eyebrows

The woman in the classic painting Mona Lisa has an intriguing smile and enchanting eyes, but there are two things she doesn't have: Eyebrows!

In Renaissance Italy, women shaved their eyebrows off and it

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This ghoulish trade must be stopped!

FAT-CAT COLLECTORS BUYING SHRUNKEN HEADS — OF BABIES!

By ERNESTO TOVIO-PEREZ / *Weekly World News*

QUITO, Ecuador — Cold-blooded black marketeers are making a fortune from trading in the shrunken heads of babies — babies killed by their own mothers to provide a supply of grisly trophies!

ACTUAL SIZE: Heads of infants are cheaper and easier to shrink than those of adults, says an expert.

The tiny heads, each smaller than a man's fist, are those of South American infants from a rain forest tribe called the Schuars. The children are killed when they're only a few months old.

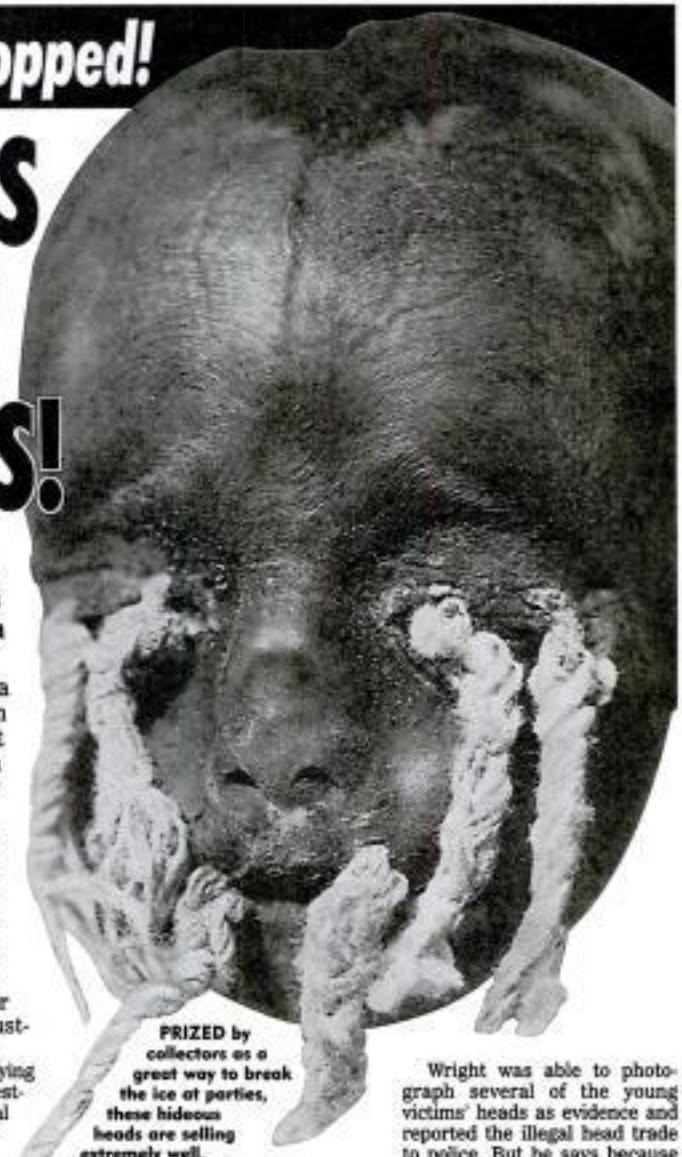
"Schuar mothers suffocate their children, shrink their skulls and sell them for the equivalent of $100," said Australian photographer John Wright, who learned about the illicit black market while on a trek in the Eastern Andes. "The pathetic little heads are then traded to wealthy Westerners who buy them for $3,000 or more to display in their homes. It's disgusting."

Wright said he heard rumors of the horrifying trafficking and let it be known that he was interested in buying a head. He was contacted by a local dealer well-known for smuggling scores of heads into Europe and America. He showed up with a sample that he brought wrapped in paper in an ordinary plastic shopping bag.

Over the next week, Wright learned the full details of the grisly dealings in innocent human flesh.

"These people are primitive headhunters deep in the jungle regions who have a tradition of shrinking the heads of their enemies," he said. "But it's only recently that they started shrinking and trading in baby heads.

"They live in abject poverty and they desperately need cash — and the little heads bring them that cash. They are easily manipulated by unscrupulous dealers."



PRIZED by collectors as a great way to break the ice at parties, these hideous heads are selling extremely well.

Kids' skulls selling for $3,000 apiece!

Wright was able to photograph several of the young victims' heads as evidence and reported the illegal head trade to police. But he says because of the huge profits involved, he's not confident anything will be done.

"The best customers for these heads are Germans and Americans and they are willing to do whatever it takes to get them," he says. "Apparently, a shrunken head is a real conversation piece at cocktail parties."

Widow marries 9 death row inmates!

LIMA, Peru — A woman has just married her ninth death-row inmate!

The press calls Carlina Laza, "the perennial widow." She wed her first condemned man, child-killer Luis Martinez, back in 1988. Since then, Martinez and seven more of Carlina's husbands have been executed.

June 3, she married Antonio Zamora, a serial killer who has been on death row since 1987, winning appeal after appeal.

"My first husband introduced me to some of the guys," she says. "And I just fell in love with all of them.

"I don't care what society

CRIME WAVE!

CONCEPTION, Peru — This tiny village with a population of just 200 residents, near Lima, had its

Kansas model eats herself to death!

BINGE-EATING beauty Anne-Marie pigs out until she bursts.

FOUR-YEAR diet ends with a bang for beautiful Anne-Marie Boules.

Gal's stomach explodes after she binges on:

- 2 beef roasts
- 1 whole chicken
- Gallon of ice cream
- Head of cauliflower
- Loaf of garlic bread
- 3 baked potatoes
- Bottle of wine

KA-BOOM!

By LISA MERAKIS/ *Weekly World News*

WITCHITA, Kan. — Gorgeous model Anne-Marie Boules went off her diet, gobbled her way through a massive meal — and died in agony when her stomach exploded.

Doctors say the blonde binge-eater died of hemorrhage when her stomach ripped open. She had eaten an unbelievable amount of food, an autopsy showed — including two large roasts of beef, a whole fried chicken, three baked potatoes, a loaf of buttered garlic bread, a whole head of cauliflower with cheese sauce, a bottle of wine, a gallon of ice cream and 8 cookies!

MODEL'S mom: Wanda Boules

"The doctors say that before that she had eaten some appetizers, several fruit cocktails, a dozen spicy chicken wings and a couple of pints of beer," said the pretty young model's mom, Wanda Boules.

"They say it was just too much for her system. My poor baby had been dieting for four years, trying to keep her rail-thin figure. She was sick of it, I guess. She must have lost her head."

According to Mrs. Boules, whose daughter lived with her when she wasn't working in New York or Los Angeles, 19-year-old Anne-Marie was required by her modeling agency to weigh under 110 pounds.

The 5-foot-9 fashion mannequin lived exclusively on a diet of fruits and vegetables, and exercised three hours a day.

But in the weeks before her death she had complained about her life-style and was depressed because she had gained three pounds.

"She told me she wanted to lead a normal life, she wanted to relax a little and eat as she wished," her mother recalled.

"But she was afraid she wouldn't be able to find work if she gained weight. She was terrified she'd be out of a job."

Two weeks ago she apparently cracked under the strain.

While her mother was off at work, she went to a grocery store, purchased bags and bags of her favorite foods and went into a feeding frenzy.

Doctors said she began eating about noon and probably ate without stopping for four or five hours. They say the food ball in her stomach weighed more than 20 pounds.

"They said the amount of food said. "What's more, she had gobbled it down, biting off huge chunks of meat and swallowing it almost without chewing. They said the pressure on her stomach finally stretched it beyond capacity and resulted in a tear to the organ.

"After that, it just burst open. They say she died in agony, and that she probably hemorrhaged to death within 20 minutes or so."

Experts say her death is not without precedent.

In 1985 the British medical journal *The Lancet* reported the death of a 23-year-old woman who downed 19 pounds of another binge fatality in December 19, 1996, in a story

PHOTOS COURTESY OF WANDA BOULES

You can't catch the flu at the North Pole — BECAUSE IT'S TOO COLD!

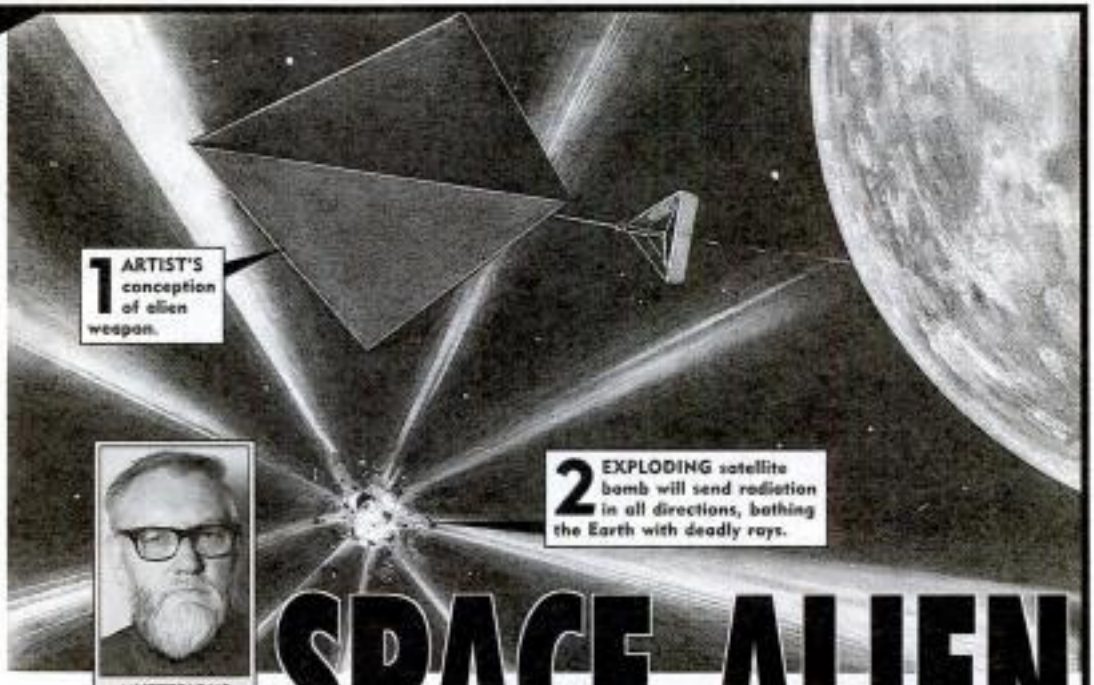
If you ever find yourself at the North Pole in the dead of winter, you might freeze to death — but you'll never catch a cold or the flu!

Contrary to popular belief, colds and flu are not caused by cold weather. They're caused by viruses.

The story they don't want you to read!

SPACE ALIEN BOMB ORBITING EARTH!

By RANDY JEFFRIES
Weekly World News



1 ARTIST'S conception of alien weapon.

2 EXPLODING satellite bomb will send radiation in all directions, bathing the Earth with deadly rays.

MYSTERIOUS space phenomena are Dr. Burton Gleast's specialty.

HOUSTON, Texas — A deadly bomb that was designed and built by space aliens is orbiting Earth and could detonate at any moment — blowing our planet to smithereens!

That is the terrifying contention of Dr. Burton Gleast, scientist and long-time consultant on many of the world's top space projects.

"The estimated power of this bomb is more than 1,000 megatons," says Dr. Gleast, 59.

"That's 50,000 times more powerful than the atomic bomb that leveled Hiroshima in August of 1945.

"It could wipe out three continents in 10 seconds."

The horrifying discovery came about after Dr. Gleast, whose specialty is tracking and identifying mysterious space phenomena, was called in by an unidentified space agency for a top-secret meeting.

"They told me their radar had detected a strange new satellite circling Earth and asked me to investigate," says Dr. Gleast.

'It could wipe out three continents in 10 seconds!'

"I tracked and photographed the object with a high-powered camera and noticed there was something that looked like an atomic detonator attached to it.

"When a highly classified rocket mission was authorized to examine it more closely, our worst fears were confirmed.

"It was an explosive device. There are writings on the bomb in a language unlike any known on Earth.

"And the metal it's composed of is not from here either. But the most alarming aspect of all this is that we don't know how to disarm it.

"The technology involved is far beyond our present abilities."

Dr. Gleast said he wanted to inform the public, but the agency that hired him, which he refused to name out of concern for his safety, was concerned that the news would spark worldwide panic. He says that shortly afterward, there was a break-in at his office.

"I just showed up one day and found my desk ransacked and files missing. Someone had taken it all: Statements by explosives experts, records of the exploration mission and — most importantly — the photos."

But Dr. Gleast claims he still has friends at the world's major space agencies who continue to leak information to him. He says they inform him that efforts to disarm the device are "getting nowhere fast."

WHO SAID WHAT! "The only job in the whole world I want to do is acting. Offer me ten times the money for doing something else and I'd refuse. I'd lack self-confidence because I'd be in the wrong job." — *Ronald Reagan, 1942*

Plants perk up with elephant poop!

Forget fancy plant foods and fertilizers. To put some pizzazz in your potted plants, feed them a scoop of good, old-fashioned elephant poop!

plants need to grow straight, strong and beautiful.

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Survey shocker!

A startling new survey of 30,000 grade school boys revealed 71 percent of them

After losing for the first time...

TENNIS-PLAYING ROBOT GOES BERSERK — & BASHES HUMAN OPPONENT TO DEATH!

By GRANT BALFOUR
Weekly World News

LOS ANGELES — A wealthy tennis enthusiast met a grisly death at the hands of her "perfect" coach — a tennis-playing robot that went berserk after losing a game!

Police say the entire hair-raising attack was recorded on a video taken for training purposes. The tape shows Elaine Hersholl, the 41-year-old wife of a well-to-do movie executive, lobbing a winning backhand, approaching the net to reset her mechanical opponent for a new match — then being clubbed in the head again and again by the robot's heavy, steel arm.

Mrs. Hersholl's personal physician said she died of a crushed skull.

"That thing literally beat her brains out," said one investigating officer.

Bereaved pals said Mrs. Hersholl, who often played until late at night, had wanted more than a human tennis coach could offer.

TRAGIC Elaine died of a crushed skull.

"And she'd grown tired of playing against those ball-serving machines when she found out about this high-tech mechanical tennis player," a friend said. "The whole idea thrilled her."

Mrs. Hersholl eagerly paid an undisclosed sum to a Japanese electronics laboratory for a prototype of a robot that was still in the experimental stages of design.

The robot came equipped with ultra-sensitive electronic eyes, wheels at the base of its feet allowing for 360 degree movement — and that movable steel arm.

According to the robot's manufacturer, it had been programmed to win every game by evenly matching a human player's skill, constantly demanding better and better performance.

"Over the last few months, we all saw a great step forward in Elaine's game," said a former tennis partner. "She was suddenly the hottest player at the country club. All that practice at her home court was paying off."

But Mrs. Hersholl found improvement came with a high price the day she outperformed her computerized partner. That evening, her bloody body was found slumped over the net at midcourt. Her metal-plated assailant was spinning in small circles next to her with its racquet outstretched.

Police computer experts believe an unexpected win by the robot's opponent caused the mechanical man to go berserk — triggering the fatal volley of blows.

'The thing literally beat her brains out!'

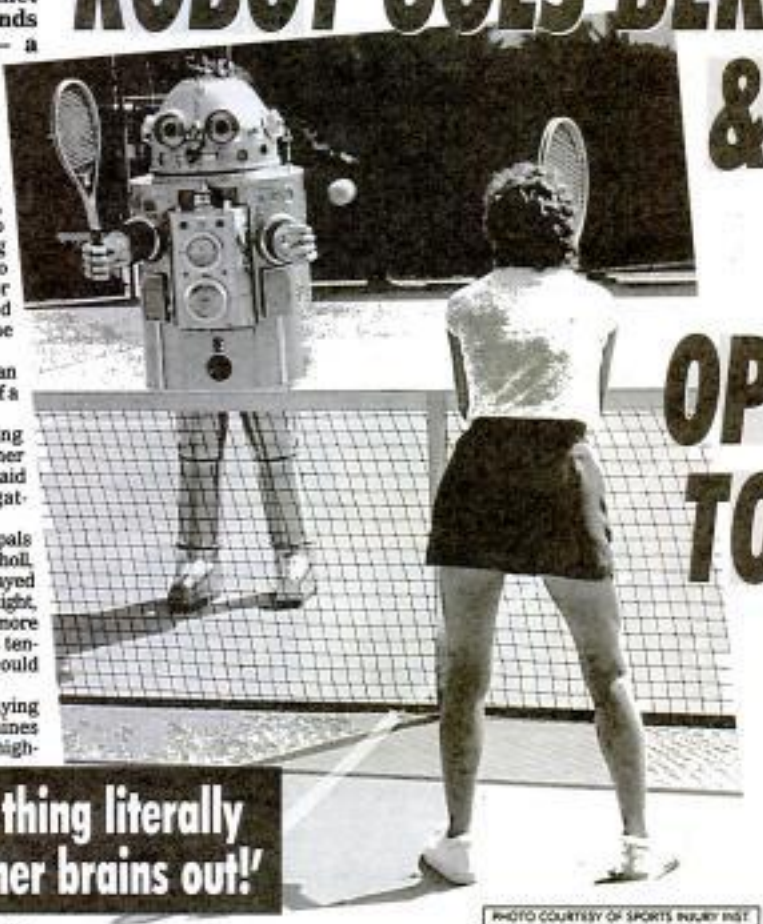

PHOTO COURTESY OF SPORTS INJURY INST.

TENNIS BUFF Elaine Hersholl and her robotic partner enjoyed a spirited match before the vicious attack occurred.

WEEKLY WORLD NEWS WANTS TO KNOW WHAT YOU THINK . . .

Anything in the paper you like, don't like or would like to see?

MAN ORDERED TO EAT HAY BECAUSE HE FED HIS HORSE JUNK FOOD

AZUL, Argentina — A man who made his horse sick by feeding the animal french fries, pizza and other junk food has been ordered to take a dose of his own medicine — by eating an entire bale of hay!

"Let him see what it's like

Arnoldo Busquez, 37, was handed the bizarre sentence after being convicted of cruelty to an animal. His horse

The judge denied the de-

GIANT HOROSCOPE

By SERENA SABAK
PSYCHIC ASTROLOGER TO THE RICH AND FAMOUS

For the week of June 19

ARIES
Mar. 21 — Apr. 19

Your confidence is sky-high this week and it will allow you to easily plow through tasks that would normally give you real trouble.

Wear the color blue on Wednesday — all shades — especially if you're planning to be around someone you hope to impress.

A transportation problem arises on Thursday. But it's easily solved.

TAURUS
Apr. 20 — May 20

This is the week that a longtime financial goal is achieved. The time and effort you've put into it will pay off all at once, in a completely unexpected way.

On Tuesday you'll hear some gossip about a friend or co-worker. DON'T listen! Thursday the facts will all come to light and you'll see the rumors are untrue.

Lucky numbers are 7, 21 and 24.

GEMINI
May 21 — June 20

Your mood will be wonderfully light and buoyant for most of this week. The spotlight is likely to be on you on Thursday or Friday — someone important is looking to see how you'll handle yourself in a sensitive situation. Trust your instincts and you'll do fine.

Singles can look forward to meeting a potential heartthrob in an outdoor setting on Saturday.

CANCER
June 21 — July 22

This is a perfect week to resolve a family matter that you've been putting off. You'll find all parties to be in an agreeable mood.

On Friday, you may find yourself in a conflict about which of two attractive invitations to accept. Choose the one that involves less formality and more down-to-earth fun.

Lucky colors are red and violet.

LEO
July 23 — Aug. 22

A rude insult tends to lower your self-esteem on Tuesday of this week. But luckily someone you know helps you bounce back — and it won't necessarily be the one you'd expect.

Singles: Someone you met some time ago will reemerge in your life and you'll see this person in a very different light.

The person finds you more attractive than you imagine.

VIRGO
Aug. 23 — Sept. 22

A home or family project comes to a satisfactory conclusion late this week.

In the job area, efforts expended in the morning will net you the best results. So whenever possible do your work in the a.m. and relax in the afternoons.

A gift given to a child has wonderful, undreamed of repercussions on Wednesday.

Your lucky numbers are 14 and 25.

LIBRA
Sept. 23 — Oct. 22

Working Libras could find some drastic changes going on in their job this week. Things may look a little dim for a day or two. But an authority will be helpful to you and you'll weather the storm just fine.

Look for good news to come in the mail on Wednesday or Thursday.

Singles may find love coming into their lives this week.

SCORPIO
Oct. 23 — Nov. 21

Scorpios will do well to take the initiative in matters involving the job this week.

Your heightened ability to make sound decisions will pay big dividends and get you noticed by important powers that be.

On the other hand, in matters of the heart, you're better off using a little restraint. Let things develop at their own pace.

SAGITTARIUS
Nov. 22 — Dec. 21

Your enthusiasm and high spirits this week are highly contagious. People are strongly influenced by your positive energy. And you'll see some concrete evidence of their appreciation on Friday.

Wednesday and Saturday evenings are very favorable for making plans for both the near future and the years to come.

Lucky numbers are 4, 14, 35 and 39.

CAPRICORN
Dec. 22 — Jan. 19

Despite a hectic schedule this week, you'll be wise to set a little block of time aside to spend on yourself. Luxuriate in a warm bath or see a silly movie.

Taking yourself too seriously can damage your health so let yourself go a little crazy.

On Saturday a chance encounter leads to a long-awaited opportunity.

AQUARIUS
Jan. 20 — Feb. 18

Teamwork is the magic word this week. There are a lot of people who want to be included in your plans — and many of them can make valuable contributions if you don't shut them out.

Marrieds may find Wednesday a perfect day to have a long, air-clearing talk with their spouses. Afterwards an evening out would be ideal.

Lucky numbers are 19, 20 and 30.

PISCES
Feb. 19 — Mar. 20

An optimistic outlook this week will help you solve a crisis with a co-worker.

Call attention to your talents by entering contests and exhibitions. Promote yourself and your abilities.

On Thursday, a family member may ask for more time and attention than you feel like giving him. But make the sacrifice anyway. You'll be glad you did.

If your birthday is this week . . .

The year ahead has your name written all over it!

Good things will be pouring into

like a step back. But you'll soon see it as a blessing in disguise.

Singles: Someone you meet at a

Readers all over the country are using psychic astrologer Serena Sabak's Lucky Lottery Numbers to help them win big bucks, and so can you! To find your Lucky Numbers, simply look them up under your birth sign in the chart below. If you need seven numbers for the lottery in your area, add your birthday. If you need fewer numbers, drop the numbers listed last.

$ YOUR LUCKY LOTTERY NUMBERS $

ARIES Mar. 21 — Apr. 19	6, 17, 23, 34, 35, 41
TAURUS Apr. 20 — May 20	7, 21, 24, 30, 39, 44
GEMINI May 21 — June 20	16, 19, 21, 29, 36, 45
CANCER June 21 — July 22	3, 12, 22, 32, 39, 41
LEO July 23 — Aug. 22	1, 18, 21, 28, 30, 45
VIRGO Aug. 23 — Sept. 22	14, 25, 28, 36, 41, 45
LIBRA Sept. 23 — Oct. 22	5, 10, 16, 25, 28, 41
SCORPIO Oct. 23 — Nov. 21	17, 23, 24, 35, 37, 41
SAGITTARIUS Nov. 22 — Dec. 21	4, 14, 23, 28, 35, 39
CAPRICORN Dec. 22 — Jan. 19	8, 17, 27, 31, 39, 44
AQUARIUS	4, 11, 19, 20, 30, 45

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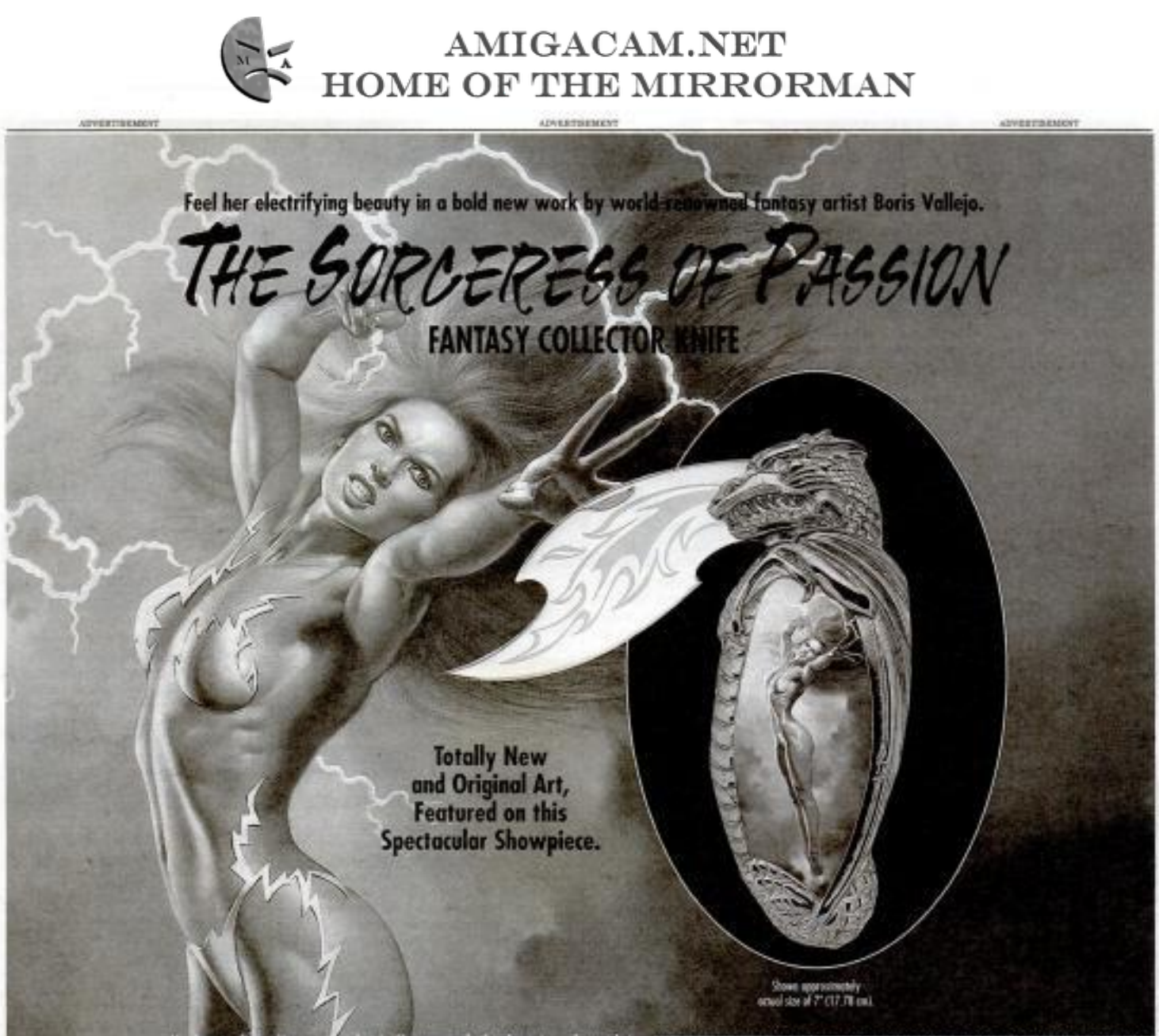

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